

BATTLE  
CRY

ACTION-PACKED TALES OF REAL COMBAT!

# BATTLE CRY

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LIVE  
TO DIE  
THE  
UNKNOWN  
FACTOR  
THE  
HERO

THIS IS FOR  
CHARLIE, SAMMY,  
LEFTY AND ALL  
THE OTHER  
DECENT G.I.'S  
YOU DIRTY  
COMMIES  
MURDERED!





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**LOSE WEIGHT**

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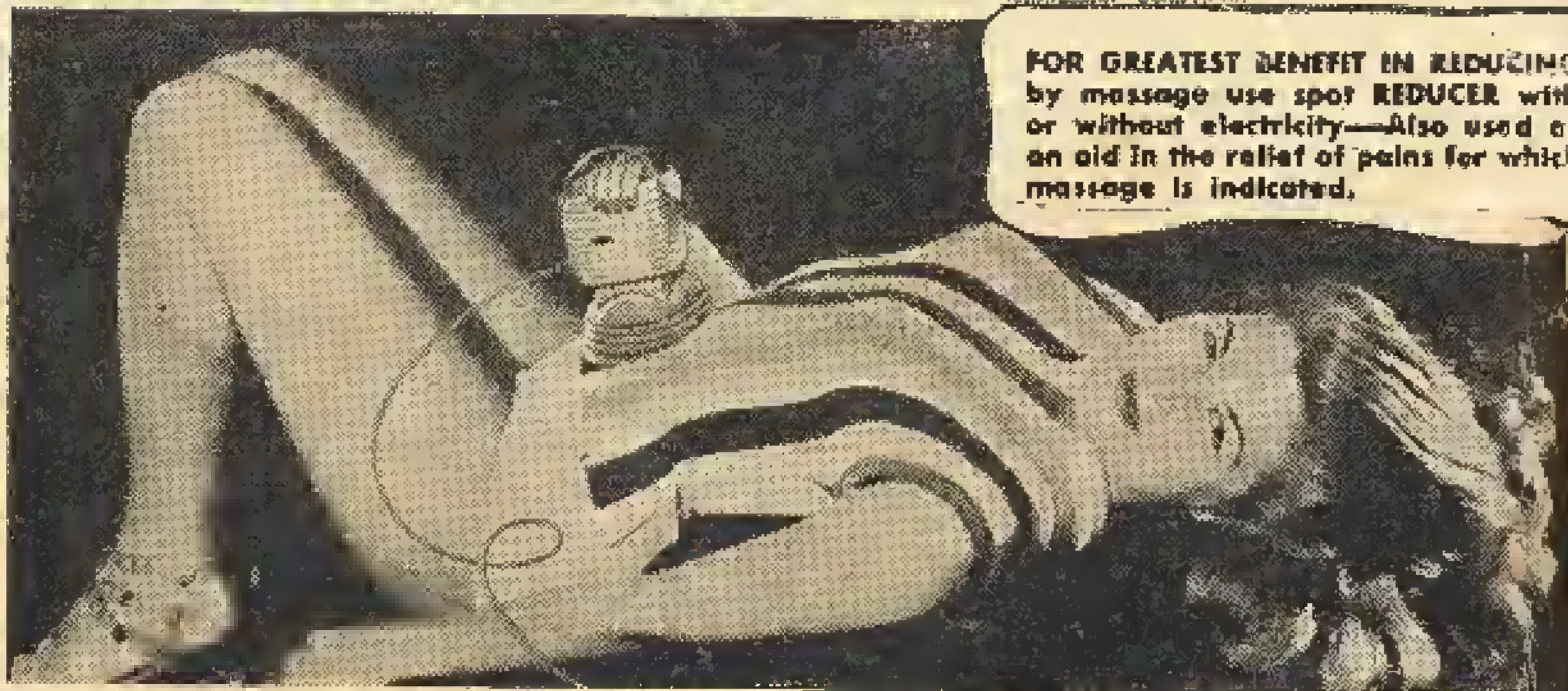
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MOST ANY  
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GRASP  
HANDLE  
AND  
APPLY

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THE GOOKS HAD DUG IN ON THE RIDGE... BUT GOOD! THEY WERE BLASTED AND PLASTERED BY THE FLY-BOYS AND THE BIG 105'S, BUT THEY COULDN'T BE ROOTED OUT! THE COMMIES, IT SEEMS, WERE THERE TO STAY... AND HAD TAKEN EVERYTHING INTO CONSIDERATION... EVERYTHING THAT IS, BUT...

# The UNKNOWN FACTOR!

EVERYONE'S HAD A CRACK AT 'EM SO FAR! NOW IT'S UP TO US... "THE QUEEN OF BATTLES"... THE INFANTRY! OKAY, YA MUDDY FOOT SLOGGERS, UP AN' AT 'EM! MOVE UP!



UP AND UP THE COMMIE-HELD RIDGE, EACH STEP A TORTUROUS HEARTBREAK, THE SMALL PATROL MOVES...



ONLY TO BE MET BY A MURDEROUS HAIL OF SEARING, RIPPING, TEARING LEAD...



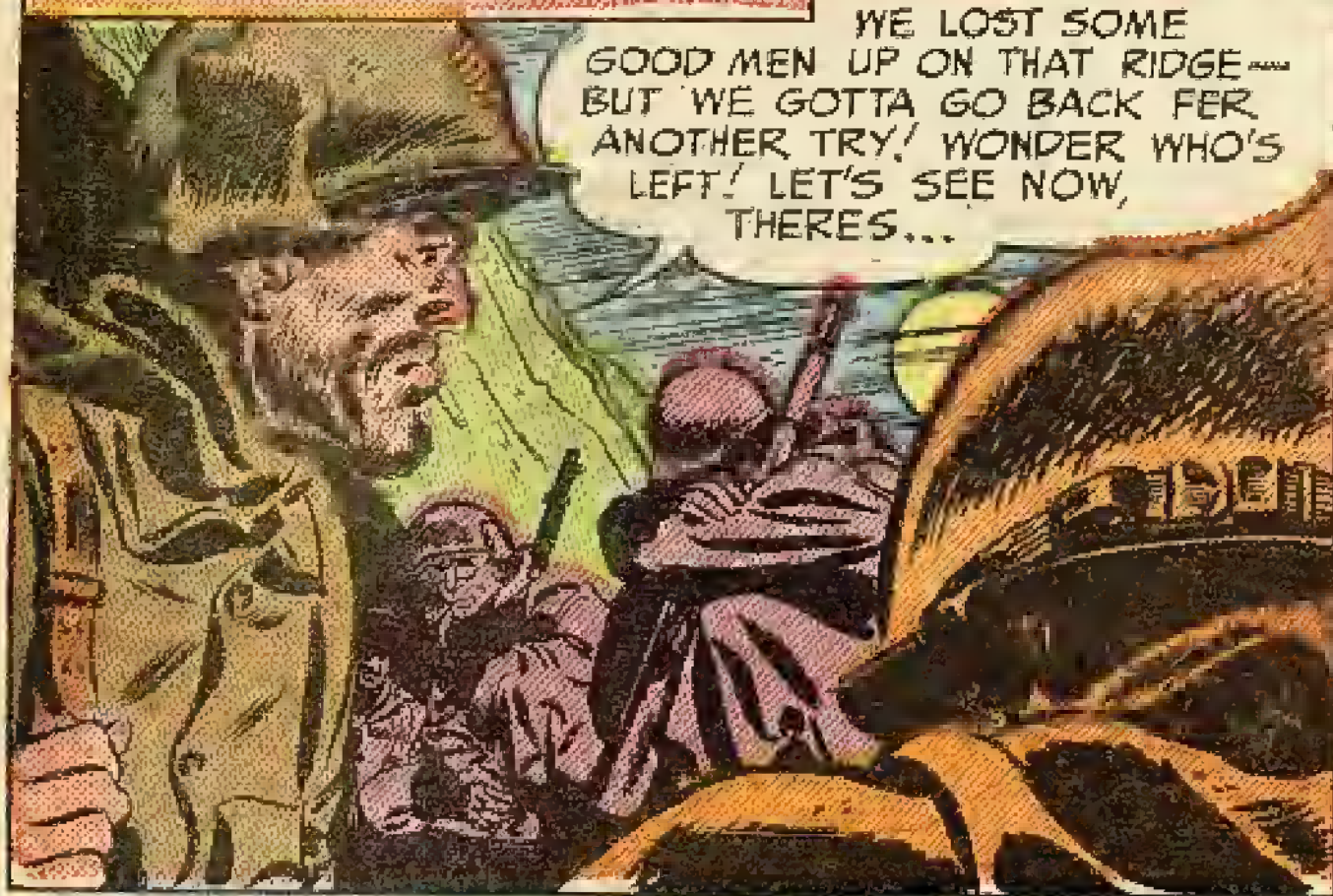
PULL OUT!  
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LIKE A BEATEN ANIMAL, THE PATROL FALLS BACK TO ITS FORMER POSITION TO LICK ITS WOUNDS AND CONSIDER ITS STRENGTH FOR FURTHER BATTLE.

WE LOST SOME GOOD MEN UP ON THAT RIDGE... BUT WE GOTTA GO BACK FER ANOTHER TRY! WONDER WHO'S LEFT! LET'S SEE NOW, THERES...



THERE'S ME, CARSON, SERGEANT. I AIN'T BOASTIN' BUT I'M ROUGH, TOUGH AN' PRETTY HANDY WITH A B.A.R. TOO...



...AN THERE'S EDWARDS, PVT. HE'S THE BABY OF OUR PATROL, BUT HE'S SEEN ENOUGH COMBAT TO LAST HIM A LIFE TIME...



YUP! AN' OVER THERE'S VINCENT, P.F.C., THE CAREFUL TYPE. DOESN'T BELIEVE IN TAKING UNNECESSARY CHANCES, BUT A HANDY GUY TO HAVE AROUND...



...AN' BOY AM I GLAD TA SEE CORPORAL ALVAREZ! A LOYAL, RUGGED GUY WHO'D RATHER USE THE COLD STEEL OF HIS BAYONET THAN THE HOT LEAD OF HIS RIFLE.



...AN GRANPA SOLOMON. SOLLY'S REALLY TOO OLD FOR THIS "POLICE ACTION," BUT, WELL, THERE ARE SOME THINGS A MAN MUST DO!



AN' I GUESS THAT'S ALL! NO, WAIT! HERE COMES "HANDSOME HARRY" MALLOY... A REAL LADIES' MAN WHO CAN SCARE UP A DATE IN ANY TOWN, BUT THE ONLY DATE HE'S HAD FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS IS UP ON THAT RIDGE... AN' IT SEEMS LIKE HE'S IN NO HURRY TO KEEP IT!



THEY'RE DUG IN REAL GOOD, CARSON. I DON'T SEE WHY WE GOTTA DIG 'EM OUT!

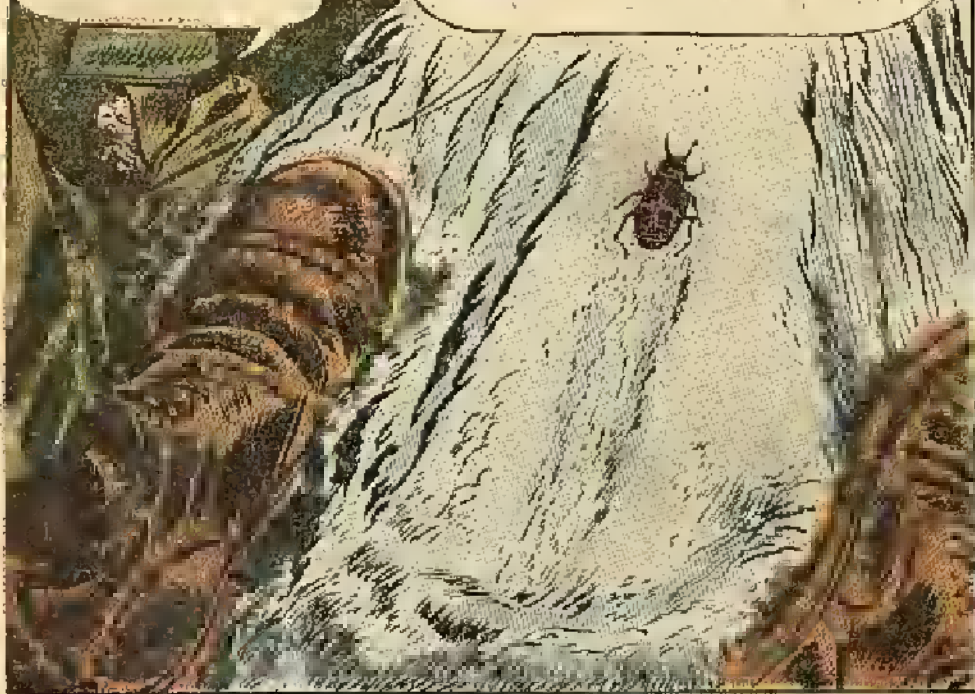
'CAUSE THE REST OF THE DIVISION CAN'T MOVE UP 'TIL THAT RIDGE IS OURS. SITTING UP THERE, THEY BEEN KNOCKIN' OFF OUR BOYS LIKE CLAY PIGEONS!





THERE MUST BE SOME WAY TA TAKE THAT RIDGE WITHOUT GETTIN' US ALL KILLED!

YEAH, BUT HOW? DOG-GONE, ALVAREZ, LOOKIT THAT LITTLE BUGGER TRYING TO MAKE THAT SAND BANK!



THE TINY BUG STRUGGLED UP THE BANK... GRAINS OF SAND POUNDED DOWN LIKE HUGE BOULDERS, BUT STILL THE INSECT STRUGGLED UPWARDS...



IT HAD ALMOST REACHED THE TOP WHEN...



IF I CAN'T MAKE IT UP A HILL, NEITHER CAN YOU! NOW, LET'S SEE WHAT YOU CAN DO!



BUT THE INSECT DIDN'T KNOW WHEN TO CALL IT QUITS... AND ONCE AGAIN IT STARTED THE LONG TREK UPWARDS...



... AND ONCE AGAIN SUCCESS WAS WITHIN ITS GRASP...



WELL I'LL BE DARNED! THAT LITTLE BUGGER JUST WON'T GIVE UP!



WATCHA DOIN' WITH THE BUG, SARGE? SURE IS PERSISTENT, AIN'T HE?

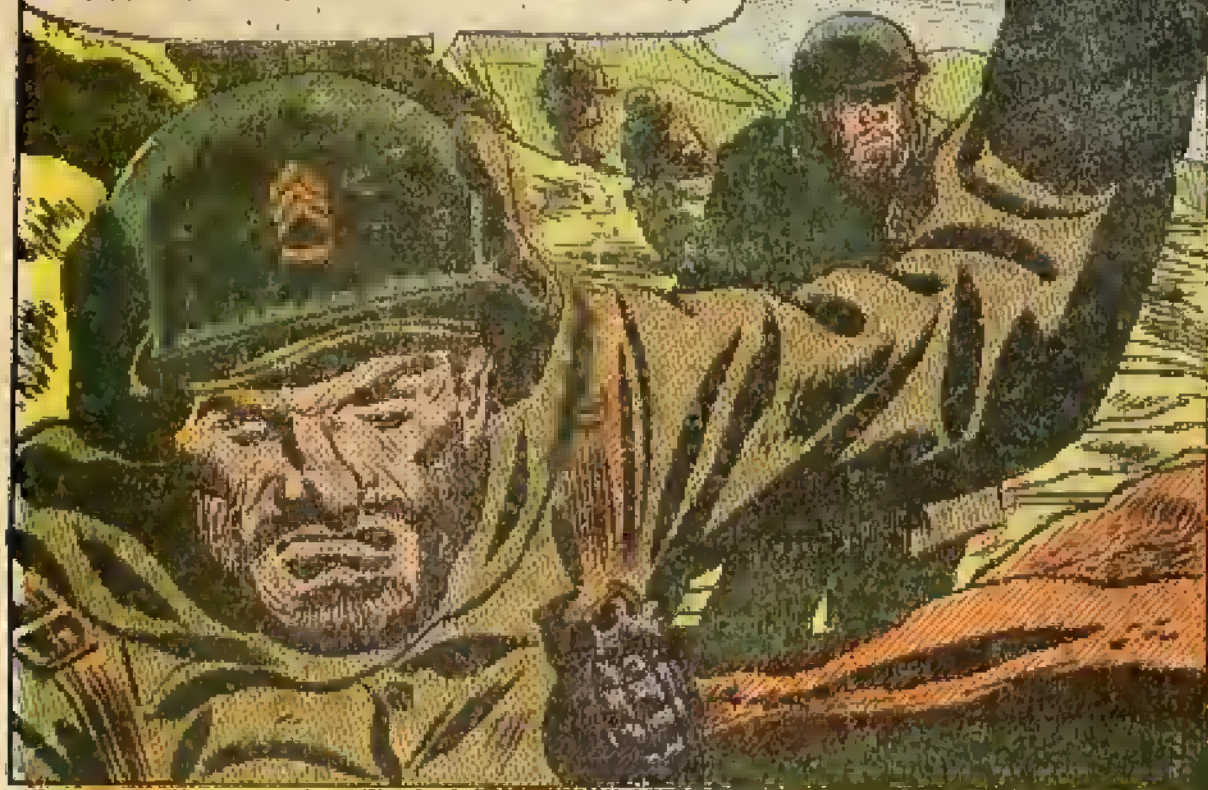
YEAH, AN' IF HE CAN KEEP IT UP SO CAN WE! C'MON, YOU GUYS... WE'RE MOVIN' OUT!





WITH THE BREAKING OF DAWN, THE PATROL ONCE MORE SETS OUT TO CONQUER THE RIDGE...

C'MON, YOU GUYS, GET THE LEAD OUT! BUT STAY LOW... HUG THE ROCKS LIKE YOU WUZ SWEETHEARTS... AN' MAYBE WE CAN SNEAK UP ON 'EM!



BUT DESPITE CARSON'S PRECAUTIONS, THE PATROL'S MOVEMENTS ARE SOON SPOTTED BY THE RED COMMANDER...

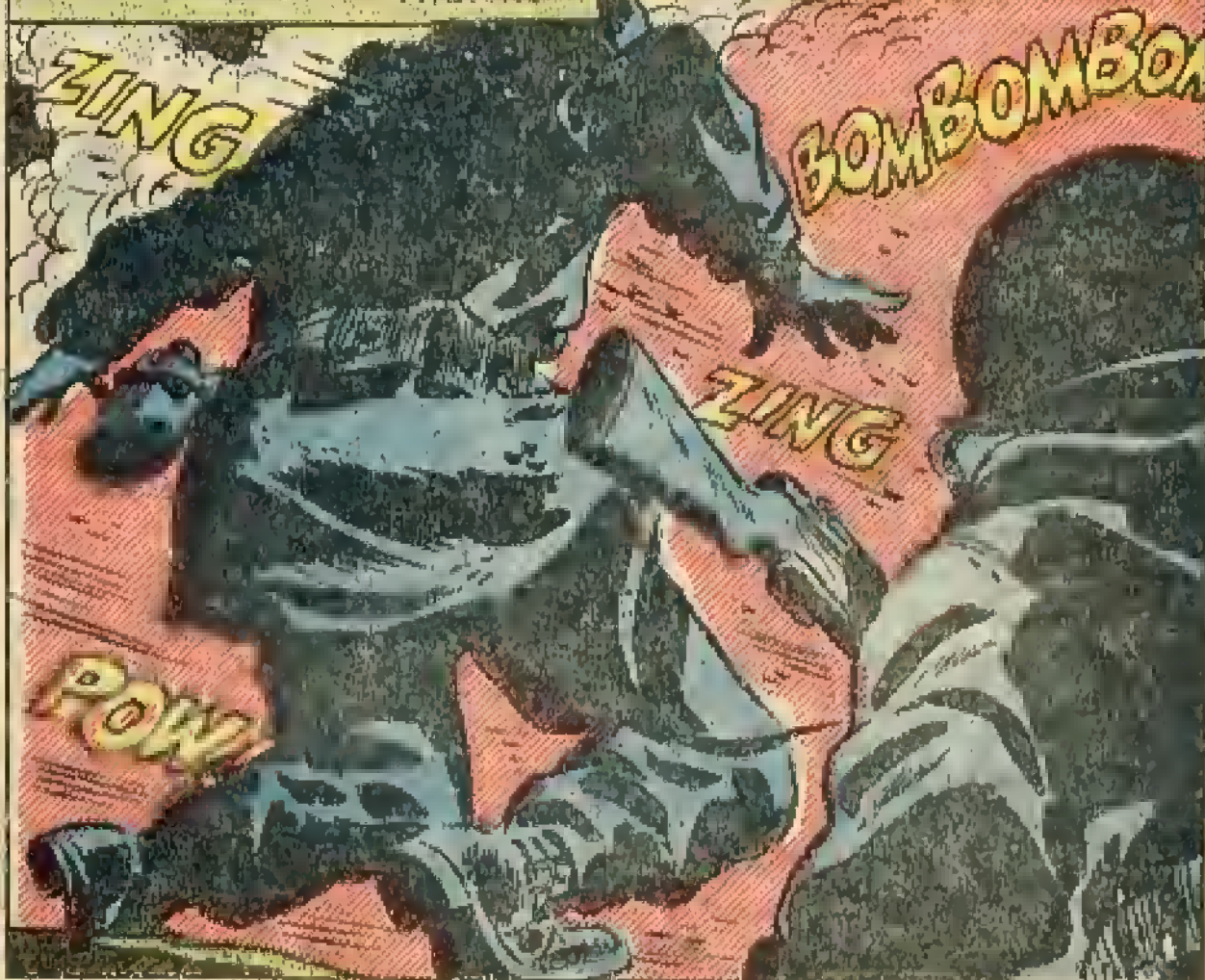


THE FOOLS! THEY STILL THINK THEY CAN TAKE THIS RIDGE! SHALL WE OPEN FIRE ON THEM?

NOT YET, LET THEM COME CLOSER... WE CAN WIPE THEM OUT WITH ONE BARRAGE!



THE REDS BIDED THEIR TIME AS THE U.N. PATROL DREW NEARER... THEN...



GOTTA OPEN THOSE GOOKS UP! WE GOTTA GET OUR TROOPS THROUGH!

DOWN, SOLLY, DOWN! THAT ONE LOUSY GRENADE AIN'T GONNA DO IT!



BRRRATTATATAT-





LOOK, CARSON! WITH SOLLY AN' BABY-FACE GONE, WE DON'T STAND A CHANCE OF TAKIN' THIS HILL NOW, UNLESS YA WANTA GET US ALL KILLED! I SAY--  
PULL OUT!

YEAH, SARGE! I GOTTA DATE IN SEOUL... AN' I WANNA BE ABLE TA KEEP IT!

AHHGH, MAYBE YER RIGHT! OKAY, LET'S GO!

AND SO ONCE AGAIN, WHAT WAS LEFT OF THE SMALL PATROL TRUDGED WEARILY DOWN THE BLOODY RIDGE TO THE SAFETY OF THE O.P...

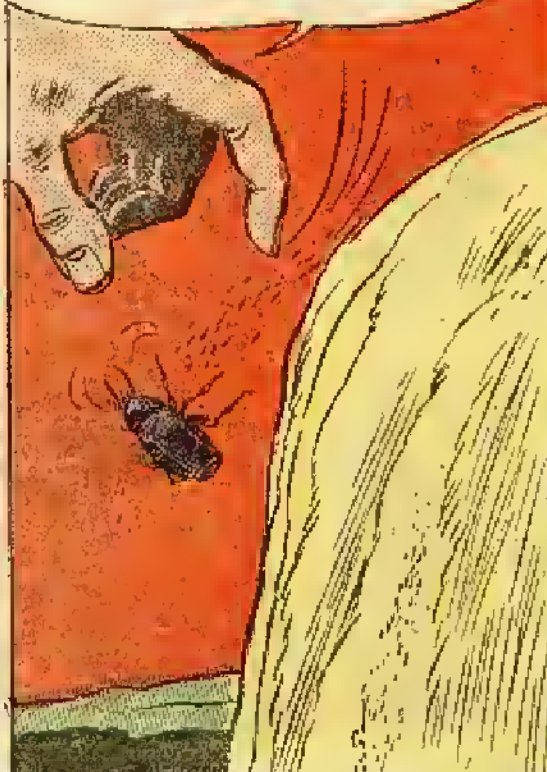
THERE MUST BE A WAY TA TAKE THAT CRUMMY RIDGE... BUT HOW...  
HOW!

AND TO THE SURPRISE OF CARSON, THERE WAS THE SAME LITTLE BEETLE STILL AT THE MOMENTOUS TASK OF BEATING THE SAND BANK...

WELL, I'LL BE... THE DARNED LITTLE BUGGER IS STILL AT IT!

LOOK, BUSTER! IF I CAN'T MAKE IT TO THE TOP OF A HILL, NEITHER CAN YOU!

BUT THE UNKNOWN FACTOR INSIDE THE SMALL INSECT KEPT IT DRIVING ON AND ON... AND ONCE MORE IT STARTED THE LONG TREK UPWARD...



SUDDENLY, A SMALL SPARK OF INTELLIGENCE SEEMED TO STRIKE THE INSECT. ABOUT HALF WAY UP THE SAND PILE, IT HESITATED, FELL BACK A LITTLE, AND THEN KEPT ON...

... BUT THIS TIME, IT WENT AROUND THE SIDE OF THE OBSTACLE!

WELL, I'LL BE!

HEY! YOU SLOGGERS! C'MON! WE'RE GONNA TAKE THAT RIDGE... 'CAUSE NOW I KNOW HOW!







HEY, SARGE, WHERE ARE WE GOIN' 2? I THOUGHT YOU SAID WE WERE GONNA TAKE THE RIDGE!

WE ARE! ONLY WE'RE GOIN' DOWN, AROUND AN UP THE BACK WAY!



THERE THEY ARE! NOW, THIS TIME, WE'RE GONNA BE THE THROWIN' END OF THE RECEPTION PARTY!



OKAY! OPEN 'EM UP!

AKA KAK  
AKA KAK  
AKA KAK

BANG!  
BANG!



BOOOOOM!

VRRR RROOOM!



POUR IT IN, ALVAREZ! OUR BOYS DOWN IN THE VALLEY ARE IN AN AWFUL HURRY TA GET MOVIN'!

BRATATATATA  
RATATATATA

AKA

KAKA



THERE'S CARSON'S SIGNAL! LOOKS LIKE THAT RIDGE IS SECURED NOW! SEND THE WORD ALONG TO HEADQUARTERS! NOW THE DIVISION CAN PUSH AHEAD!

AND SO, THE U.N. TROOPS MOVED ON! THE COMMIES HAD PREPARED WELL... THEY HAD WEATHERED THE ARTILLERY STORMS... THEY HAD THE AIR FORCE STOPPED COLD... THEY HAD DONE EVERYTHING THEY COULD, BUT THEY HADN'T COUNTED ON ONE THING... THE UNKNOWN FACTOR...



...WHICH WAS... THE AMERICAN G.I.!

The End



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# SAGA of the SIX SHOOTER

THIS IS MY  
STORY! TOLD IN  
BULLETS FROM  
THE ALAMO TO  
THE HAMHUNG!  
THE...

HOW COME YA  
WEAR THAT SIX  
SHOOTER, TEX... IT  
AIN'T REGULATION!

REGULATION, HECK!  
THE GUY WHO PACKS  
THIS GUN HAS LUCK ON  
HIS SIDE... AT LEAST  
THAT'S HOW THE  
LEGEND GOES!



BUT TEX'S LUCK MUST HAVE RUN OUT  
ON THAT COLD ROAD TO HAMHUNG...

POW  
BRATTATT  
TAT-TAT  
BRAT!  
KA-POW



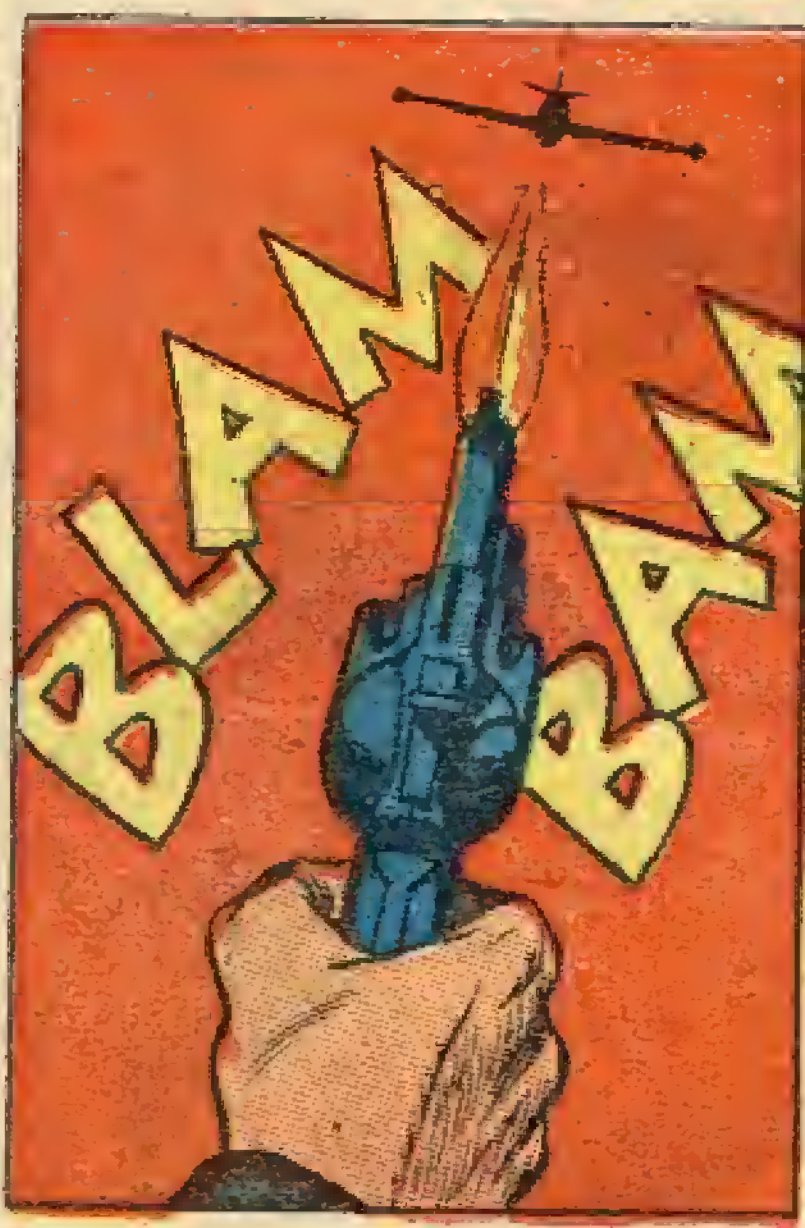
HMM -- A TEXAS SIX SHOOTER!  
I HAVE HEARD FABULOUS  
STORIES ABOUT THEM...  
WHAT A PRIZE!















SEEMS AS IF I'M BAD COMPANY LATELY... BUT I'M VERY CHOOSEY ABOUT THE FRIENDS I MAKE... AND KEEP!



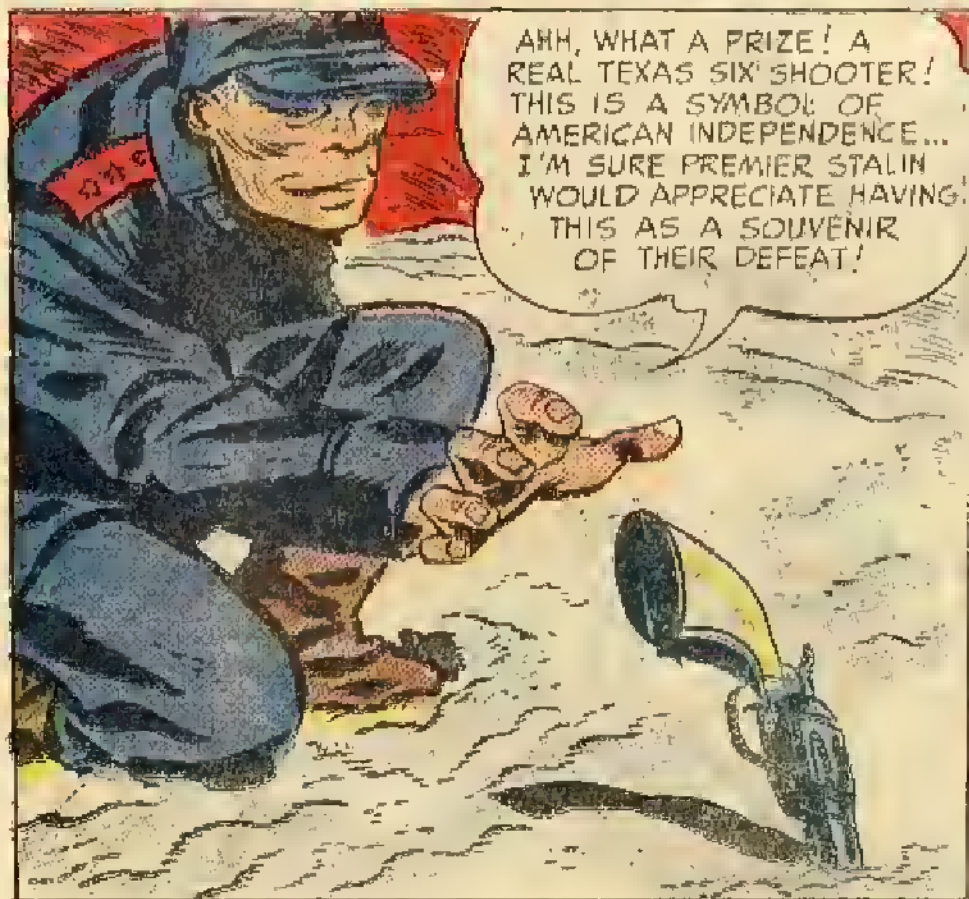
THE DAYS PASSED SLOWLY, BUT THEN CAME THE FAMOUS "HOME BY XMAS" MESSAGE, AND THE U.N. ARMIES RACED FOR THE MANCHURIAN BORDER...



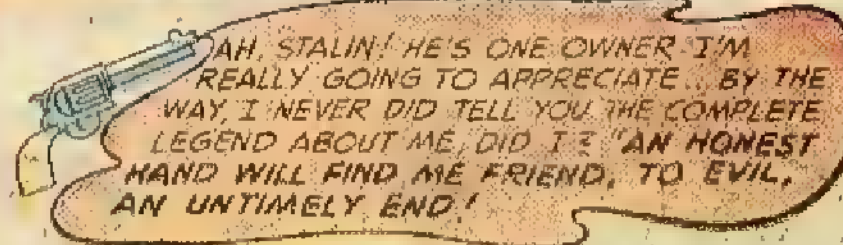
BUT THE COMMUNISTS HAD LAID THEIR PLANS WELL... AND IN A FEW WEEKS THE MARINES WERE REELING SOUTHWARD... IN DEFEAT!



...FOLLOWED BY THE VICTORIOUS COMMUNIST ARMIES!



AHH, WHAT A PRIZE! A REAL TEXAS SIX SHOOTER! THIS IS A SYMBOL OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE... I'M SURE PREMIER STALIN WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING THIS AS A SOUVENIR OF THEIR DEFEAT!



AH, STALIN! HE'S ONE OWNER I'M REALLY GOING TO APPRECIATE... BY THE WAY, I NEVER DID TELL YOU THE COMPLETE LEGEND ABOUT ME, DID I? "AN HONEST HAND WILL FIND ME FRIEND, TO EVIL, AN UNTIMELY END!"



THE END



# LIVE TO DIE!

NO MAN IS MADE FOR WAR! BUT, SOMETIMES, IN ORDER TO SURVIVE, THE MAN OF PEACE BECOMES AN ANIMAL... DRIVING, DRIVING AND KILLING! YOUNG DEXTER MADISON WAS SUCH A MAN. WAR WAS ALIEN TO HIM! AS OUR STORY OPENS ON THE BATTLEFRONT, SERGEANT LEBOR HAS IT OUT WITH MADISON, AN ABSOLUTE FAILURE...

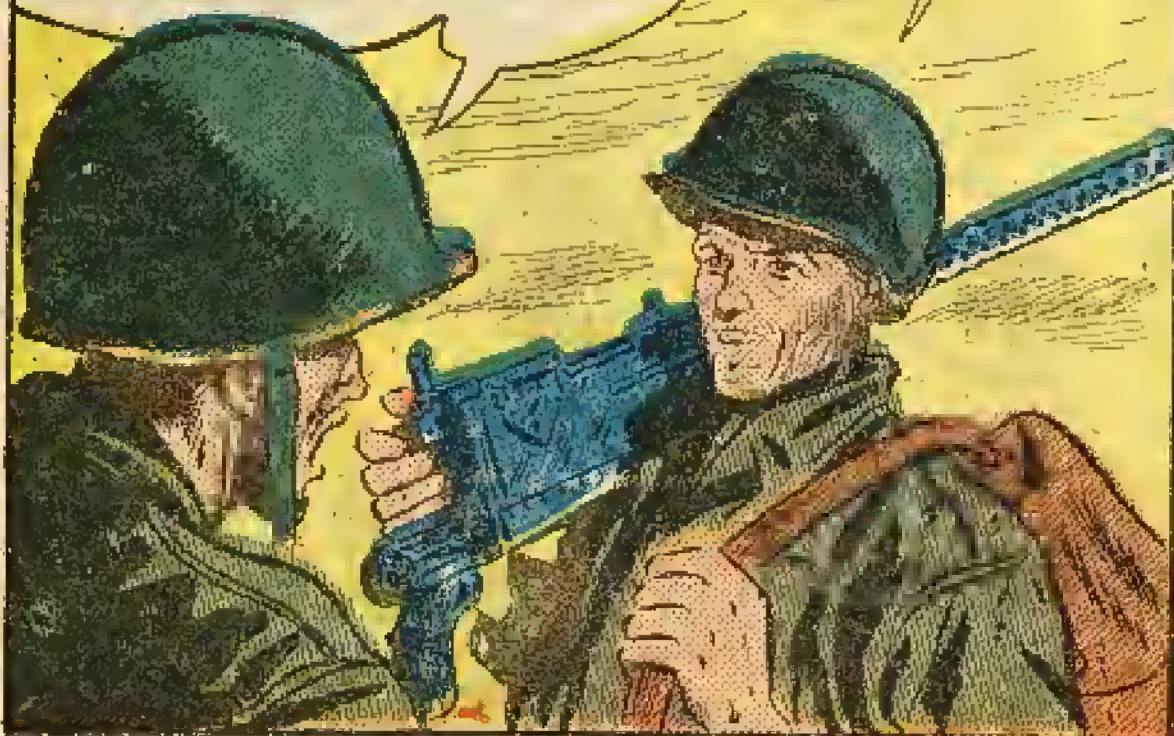
I OUGHTA SHOOT YOU ON THE SPOT! THREE GOOD MEN ARE BACK THERE... THREE GOOD MEN WHO WILL SOON BE TELEGRAMS HOME! AN' IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT, MADISON! YOU LEFT YOUR POSITION AN' RAN LIKE A SCARED RABBIT! I OUGHTA...

AW, LAY OFF THE KID, SARGE! CAN'TCHA SEE HE FEELS BAD ENOUGH?



YEAH, SURE... HE FEELS BAD! WHAT ABOUT ME? HOW DO I EXPLAIN THE RED BREAK-THROUGH TO THE CAPTAIN? WHAT DO I SAY?-- "SORRY, CAPTAIN, BUT A LITTLE BOY GOT SCARED AND RUNNED AWAY!" NUTS!

AW... WE WERE ALL SCARED ONCE, SARGE!



LOOK, MILNER... YOU TEND TO YOUR MACHINE GUN, AND I'LL TEND TO THE MEN IN MY COMMAND, UNNERSTAN'?

YOU LEAVE ME NO CHOICE, SARGE... YOU LEAVE ME NO CHOICE!







DON'T LET IT GET YA, KID!  
IT HAPPENED TO ALL OF US-  
NOW C'MON, I'LL GET YA A  
CUP A CAWVEE!

BUT, AUGIE, I'M RESPONSIBLE  
FOR THOSE THREE CORPSES  
BACK THERE! IT-IT'S AS  
IF I MURDERED THEM!



LAY OFF THAT  
KINDA TALK, KID!  
LAY OFF!

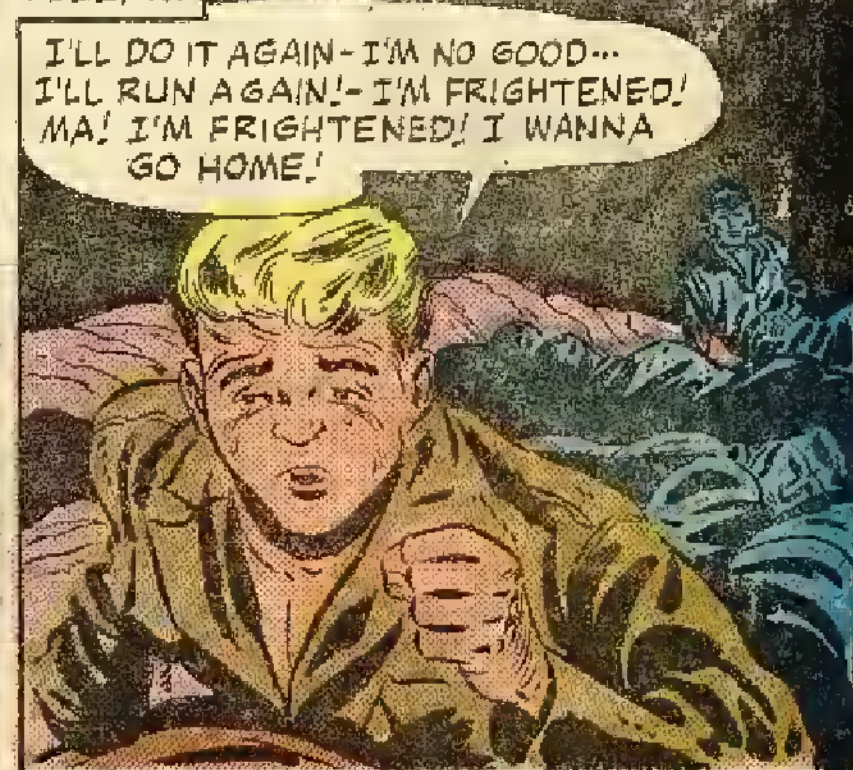
MAYBE I JUST WASN'T  
MADE FOR WAR! MAYBE  
I'M TOO SOFT... I KNOW I  
AM - I RAN DIDN'T I?  
I RAN!!



EY, AUGIE--WE'RE MOVIN' UP  
TOMORRA MORNIN'! BETTER  
DITCH SONNY BOY BEFORE  
YA EAT BOOT HILL DIRT!

HE'LL BE ALL RIGHT,  
LEBOR - JUST LEAVE  
HIM ALONE!

THAT NIGHT, A LONELY, FRIGHTENED YOUNG  
WARRIOR SOBS SOFTLY AS THE OTHERS  
SLEEP...



I'LL DO IT AGAIN - I'M NO GOOD...  
I'LL RUN AGAIN! - I'M FRIGHTENED!  
MA! I'M FRIGHTENED! I WANNA  
GO HOME!



MADISON! MADISON!  
SNAP OUT OF IT! TAKE HOLDA  
YERSELF!

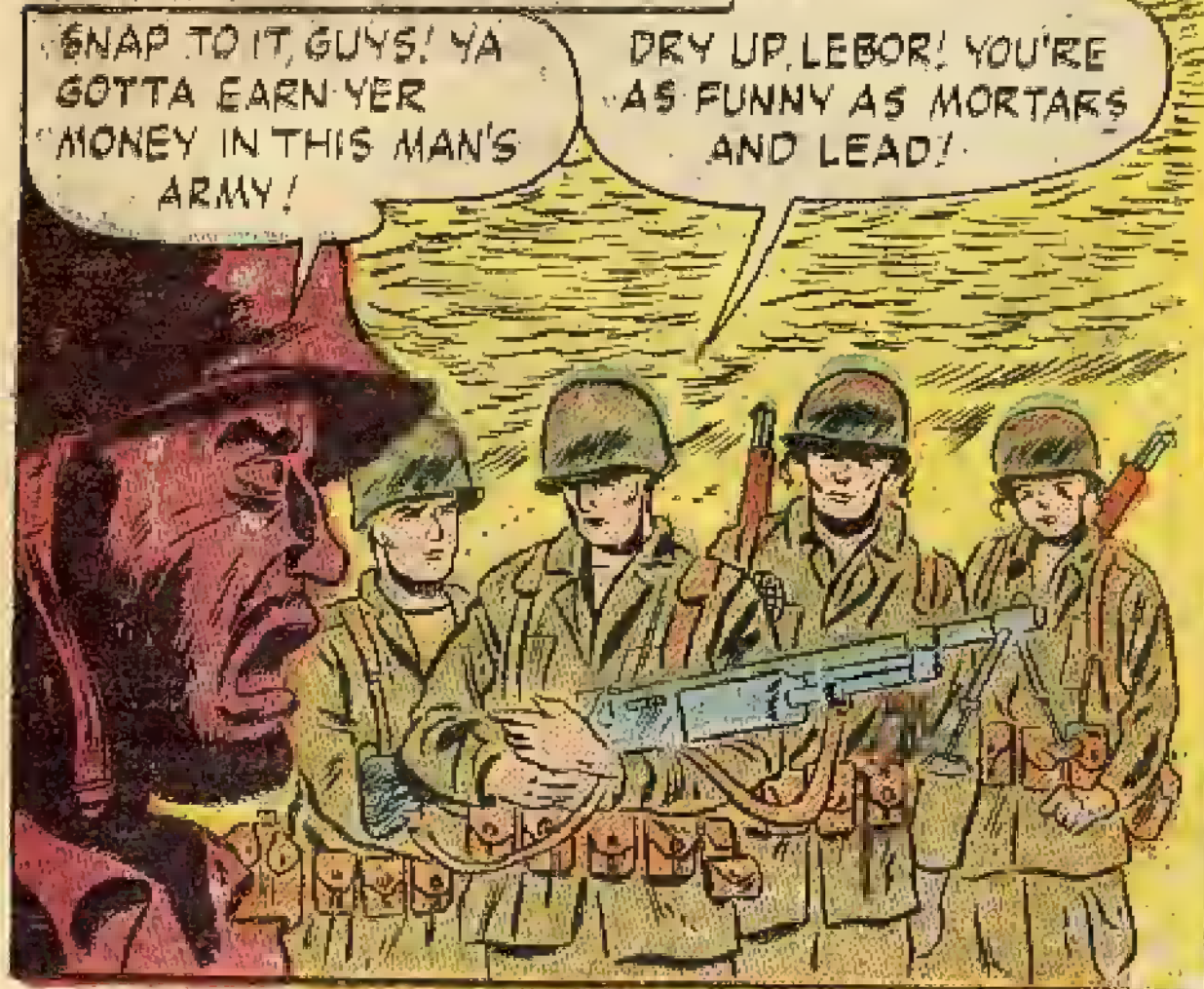
I'M SCARED,  
AUGIE! I'M  
SCARED  
STIFF!



LOOK, KID, I SEEN IT ALL! I WAS  
IN THE PACIFIC-YEAH, I'M LUCKY  
I CAME BACK WITH MY SKIN! BUT  
BELIEVE ME, KID-I'M SCARED -  
JUST AS SCARED AS YOU ARE,  
AND JUST AS SCARED AS LEBOR -  
NO ONE WANTS TO DIE!



THE LONG NIGHT, FINALLY ENDS, AND WEARY MEN  
RISE TO GO BACK TO "WORK"...



SNAP TO IT, GUYS! YA  
GOTTA EARN YER  
MONEY IN THIS MAN'S  
ARMY!

DRY UP, LEBOR! YOU'RE  
AS FUNNY AS MORTARS  
AND LEAD!



EASY, KID! YOU'LL BE  
ALL RIGHT! I KNOW YA  
WON'T LET ME DOWN!

I'LL TRY NOT TO,  
AUGIE. I  
PROMISE!



KOLSKI AND CARLING ARE  
SCOUTIN' THE AREA AHEAD...  
WE'LL SOON KNOW WHETHER  
THERE ARE ANY RED SLANT  
EYES THERE!

I'LL BE THE MOST  
DISAPPOINTED DOG-  
FACE ON EARTH  
IF THEY DON'T  
SPOT ANY REDS!

YEH-ME  
TOO!



THERE IT IS, GUYS!  
THEY'VE SPOTTED SOME  
COMMIES! C'MON-LET'S  
GO!!

EASY, KID...  
EASY!!



THE KID'S GONNA CRACK-  
I GOTTA HELP HIM-  
I GOTTA!!



WE'LL BE KILLED!  
I DON'T WANNA  
DIE!!



GET  
DOWN,  
YOU FOOL-  
GET  
DOWN!



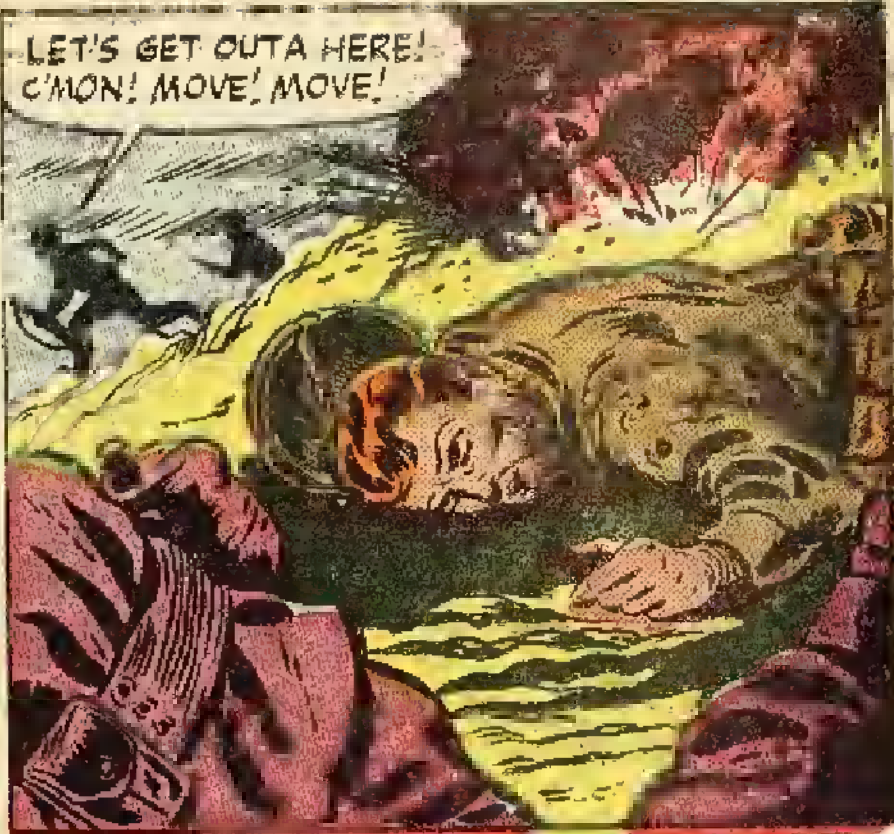


SOON, THE BATTERED PLATOON REACHES THE SAFETY OF THEIR LINES...

THAT NO GOOD, LITTLE...  
THAT ROTTEN, VELLA...  
I'LL KILL 'IM - I'LL KILL  
'IM!!

I-IT AINT GONNA BRING  
BACK OUR DEAD  
BUDDIES, SARGE!

HALF OUR  
PLATOON DEAD -  
THIRTY-SIX  
GOOD MEN!!



LET'S GET OUTA HERE!  
C'MON! MOVE! MOVE!

TIME PASSES, AND THE WEARY MEN JUST SIT AND THINK OF THEIR BUDDIES - MEN THEY'LL NEVER SEE AGAIN. THEN SGT. LEBOR RISES SLOWLY AS HE SEES DEXTER MADISON APPROACH...

HE'S COMIN' BACK!  
HE'S GOT THE GALL  
TO COME BACK!



YA FILTHY SNAKE! YA  
RAN OUT AN' LEFT YER  
BUDDIES - THEY'RE ALL  
DEAD AN' AUGIE'S BACK  
THERE WITH THEM!

AUGIE! NO!  
NO! NO!



HE TRUSTED ME! HE  
HAD FAITH IN ME! I  
KILLED HIM! I KILLED 'EM  
ALL! LEBOR, SHOOT ME,  
SHOOT ME, LEBOR - I'M  
NO GOOD - I'LL NEVER BE  
ANY GOOD! SHOOT  
ME!

I-ER-UH-GET  
YERSELF SOME  
CHOW, KID! IT-IT'LL  
MAKE YOU FEEL  
BETTER!





SOME WEEKS PASS, AND LEBOR'S FIRST PLATOON IS REINFORCED AND READY FOR COMBAT. THE MEN FEEL SOMETHING BIG IN THE WIND AS LT. FIELD GOES OVER THE MAP WITH THE SERGEANT...

THIS IS THE PITCH, LEBOR! THE REDS HAVE SUPPLIED THE U.N. TRUCE NEGOTIATORS WITH A MAP OF ALL THEIR PRISON CAMPS! GHQ BELIEVES THAT THERE ARE MORE CAMPS IN NORTH KOREA... CAMPS THE REDS NEVER MENTIONED! WE WANT YOU AND YOUR MEN TO SCOUT THIS AREA... IF YOU CAN FREE 'EM- DO IT!

YES, SIR! WE'LL DO IT!



I-I HEARD YOU'RE GOIN' OUT ON AN IMPORTANT MISSION, SERGEANT! I'D LIKE TO GO ALONG- THIS IS FOR AUGIE!

I SHOULD HAVE MY HEAD EXAMINED- BUT I'LL GO ALONG WITH YA- BUT THIS TIME YA BETTER NOT LET AUGIE DOWN!



A VETERAN HAS FAITH IN A RAIN, FRIGHTENED ROOKIE... DEATH MAY BE HIS REWARD! SOME NIGHTS LATER, THE FIRST PLATOON LANDS ON A NORTH KOREAN BEACH...

MAKE IT SNAPPY/C'MON! GET THOSE BOATS HIDDEN! FASTER! YOU'LL HAVETA BE FASTER!!



SILENTLY, PAINSTAKINGLY, THE MEN MAKE THEIR WAY ACROSS THE HILLY TERRAIN. FINALLY, THEY SPOT THEIR OBJECTIVE...

THERE IT IS... JUST LIKE THE LOOTENANT SAID! THEY GOT OUR BOYS IN THERE-- AN' WE'RE GONNA GET 'EM OUT!

YEAH, BUT WHO'S GONNA GET THAT GUARD!



LISTEN TO ME, KID! YOU'RE GONNA TAKE THAT GUARD! AN' IT'S UP TO YOU TO FREE THOSE BOYS! THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO SQUARE YOURSELF FOR WHAT YOU'VE DONE!

I GOT YA, AUGIE! I'LL DO IT! I WON'T LET YA DOWN!



THAT CRAZY KID!







IN THE CONFUSION, LEBOR AND HIS MEN MANAGE TO FREE ALL THE PRISONERS. SOON THEY ARE BACK AT THE SHORE...



"NO ONE WANTS TO DIE," CALGANO SAID. BUT, SOMEHOW AS THE MEN FILE INTO THE SUBMARINE-- AND HOME-- THEY CAN'T HELP BUT THINK OF DEXTER MADISON... AND HOW HE **WANTED** TO DIE!



# THE BATTLE FOR THE PORKCHOP

Marines who fought for IWO JIMA, called this action, THE BATTLE FOR THE PORKCHOP . . . this being the shape of the volcanic island. Completely barren of vegetation, Iwo Jima, also known as Sulphur Island, is five miles long and one-half mile at its widest point.

At the southwestern tip of the island, stands Mt. Suribachi . . . famous for its flag-raising episode by six marines. Standing 556 feet high, Suribachi provided a natural observation post where the Japanese could watch every movement of the invading Marines. It was on the slopes of Suribachi that the enemy had built his first airstrip—a must on the list of things to be secured immediately.

Dark volcanic sand made up the beaches on the southern part of the island, and because of its softness, made the use of wheeled vehicles almost impossible.

The main village on Iwo was Motoyamma, but aerial and naval bombardments reduced it to a mass of rubble; hence it was worthless. West of the village lay the sulphur mine. Sulphur smoke belching out of the volcanic sands added another hazard to the American invaders. But these pits did serve some purpose, they provided the men with automatic stoves for heating their rations and bathing water.

The importance of Iwo Jima became apparent with the capture of Saipan, Tinian and Guam and when the plans were laid for around-the-clock bombing of Japan by the B-29 raids. The island, laying at the southern end of a chain of volcanic islands stretching from Tokyo Bay to the Marianas, is 670 miles south of Tokyo—making it an ideal heavy bombardment base. It is 3,300 miles closer to Japan than Pearl Harbor.

Long regarded by the Japanese as the bulwark of their inner defense perimeter, the Japanese had well-fortified the position. Every square foot of the island had been surveyed for prearranged zones of fire for artillery, antitank units, 320mm spigot mortars, huge rockets and a special type of infantry mortar. Underground telephone

cables made the fire control on these weapons a simple task. Small mortars had been dug into the ground with only an inch or two of the muzzle sticking out . . . in this position a man could easily drop shells into several weapons without changing his position.

Intelligence reported after the island was secured, that a Yank remaining on any given spot would be certain of being hit by a barrage, so closely had the field of fire been plotted.

When captured, Iwo Jima would place us that much closer to the heart of the Japanese homeland, and more important, it would provide fighter and bomber strips for the stepped up aerial onslaught against Japan proper. Being that much closer to their targets, the mighty superforts could reduce their gas loads and triple the bomb tonnage. Iwo began to pay off when the first B-29 landed on March 1st, 1945. In the three months that followed, 852 forced landings were made, and the Air Force estimated that some nine thousand lives were saved as well as \$510,000,000 in the value of the planes.

As with all other Pacific Island invasions, preparation for the onslaught against Iwo Jima was intense. While intelligence reports were too tough to obtain, information concerning the defenses of the closely guarded island did supply an abundance of material. The various Japanese units (and even their commanding officers) were known from captured enemy documents. The estimates of troop strength proved to be 98% correct. But the one important piece of information that had to be known was impossible to learn—the effectiveness of the pre-D-day bombardments. The only way to find this out was when the Marines hit the enemy beaches!

Aerial and Naval strikes were conducted against Iwo Jima for seventy two days prior to the initial landing on February 19, 1945. But even then we bombed them continuously, the Nips still continued to build up the defenses of the island. Prior to the aerial pounding it is known that there were 450 major defensive installations on Iwo . . . yet,



on D minus 3, 750 such fortifications were counted! The Japs were ready for us!

But the mighty fleet assembled off-shore could not concentrate on these inland fortifications, their targets were the beach defenses. Without this action, the initial landings could never have taken place. But despite tons of thousands of effective gunfire and bombing, Iwo would have to be reduced the hard way . . . by the individual Marines!

To the men of the Third, Fourth and Fifth Marine divisions, the action shaping up at Iwo was to be their toughest campaign. Not only the importance of their prize was on their minds, but also a knowledge of the toughness of the action. Intelligence had briefed them on that.

Months of tough training had prepared them for their task—every intricate detail of wiping out pillboxes, concrete emplacements and heavily fortified positions had been studied and rehearsed. The Marines knew what they were getting into when they hit Iwo's beaches . . . but they were ready for it.

The convoy steamed northward, and finally on the morning of D-day, February 19th, the battered fortress of Iwo Jima was sighted. Seen in the half-light of dawn, the island, stretching from the jagged crest of Mt. Suribachi at the southern end to the jagged cliffs on the north, appeared to have been stripped bare of every living thing.

Nothing could actually be seen of the island proper, except the wrecked ships at the water's edge and the geysers of dirt and smoke thrown up by the tremendous naval barrage.

The Fourth and Fifth Divisions went in first with the Third held in reserve. As the divisions pushed up the beach; yard by yard, a steady stream of reports came back to the men of the Third. Speculation was great as to when the Third would be brought into action.

The Third Division was primed and ready . . . it had been hoped that the entire division could be held back for a landing of its own on another Jap stronghold . . . Sakishima Gunto. But as the extremely high casualty reports came in from the Fourth and Fifth,

it was obvious that the famed Third Division could no longer be held back. And finally on February 21st, the Third was committed to the action.

Twenty six days later, on March 16th, organized resistance on Iwo Jima was declared at an end, and the island was considered secure.

In that simple sentence we have attempted to write the action of Iwo Jima! But it is only when you look at the records that one can appreciate the fighting that occurred on "Bloody Iwo".

The 75mm and 105mm supplied over 120,000 rounds of artillery. So intensive were the defensive preparations that hardly a move could be made without the assistance of artillery. Every jump-off by the Marines had to be preceded by an artillery barrage—these concentrations ranged from 10 minutes to an hour.

Tanks played an equally important role in the fighting. Many times, the Nips were so firmly entrenched, that the footsoldiers finding it impossible to advance even a yard, called on the tankers to punch holes in the enemy lines. The Japs also realized the importance of our tanks, and as a result concentrated their fire on the vehicles. Of the 49 tanks committed, 15 were completely knocked out and the remainder were all out of action at one time or another.

In short, the battle for The Pork Chop was won by the courage and will of every man there. No conceivable defense could have stopped them!

Because of the huge amount of troops engaged and the limited size of the battlefield, nothing in warfare history compares with the Battle of Iwo Jima in magnitude and fury. 85,000 men fought on the tiny atoll—battled until 26,000 of them were dead and another 16,000 wounded.

But as Major General Graves Erskine said, "The victory was never in doubt. Only the cost!"

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This account of the Battle of Iwo Jima was compiled from records taken from the History of the Third Marine Division.



# THE HERO

OUR G.I. REQUIRES LITTLE FOR HIS EVERYDAY EXISTENCE. HE IS CLOTHED, WELL FED AND WELL ARMED. BUT THESE PRECIOUS NECESSITIES BECOME USELESS WHEN THE MAN IS ALONE... WHEN HE HAS NO BUDDIES! CAL MILFORD WAS SUCH A MAN, FOR NO ONE IN COMPANY "A" WOULD HAVE A THING TO DO WITH HIM... AND THEY HAD THEIR REASONS! OUR STORY OPENS ON THE FRONT LINES IN KOREA, AND AS THE MEN TAKE A WELL-EARNED REST, CALVIN HOLDS A LETTER FROM HOME...

WHAT A THING TO WRITE TO A G.I.! GREAT LITTLE FAMILY I HAVE!

TRYIN' TO BE NICE TO MILFORD IS LIKE STICKIN' YOUR NECK UNDER A MEAT CLEAVER! WHAT'S A MATTER WITH THAT GUY, ANYWAY?

I DUNNO! SEEMS LIKE HE WANTS YA TO HATE HIM! HE EVEN GOES OUT OF HIS WAY TO KICK YOU WHEN YOU'RE DOWN!

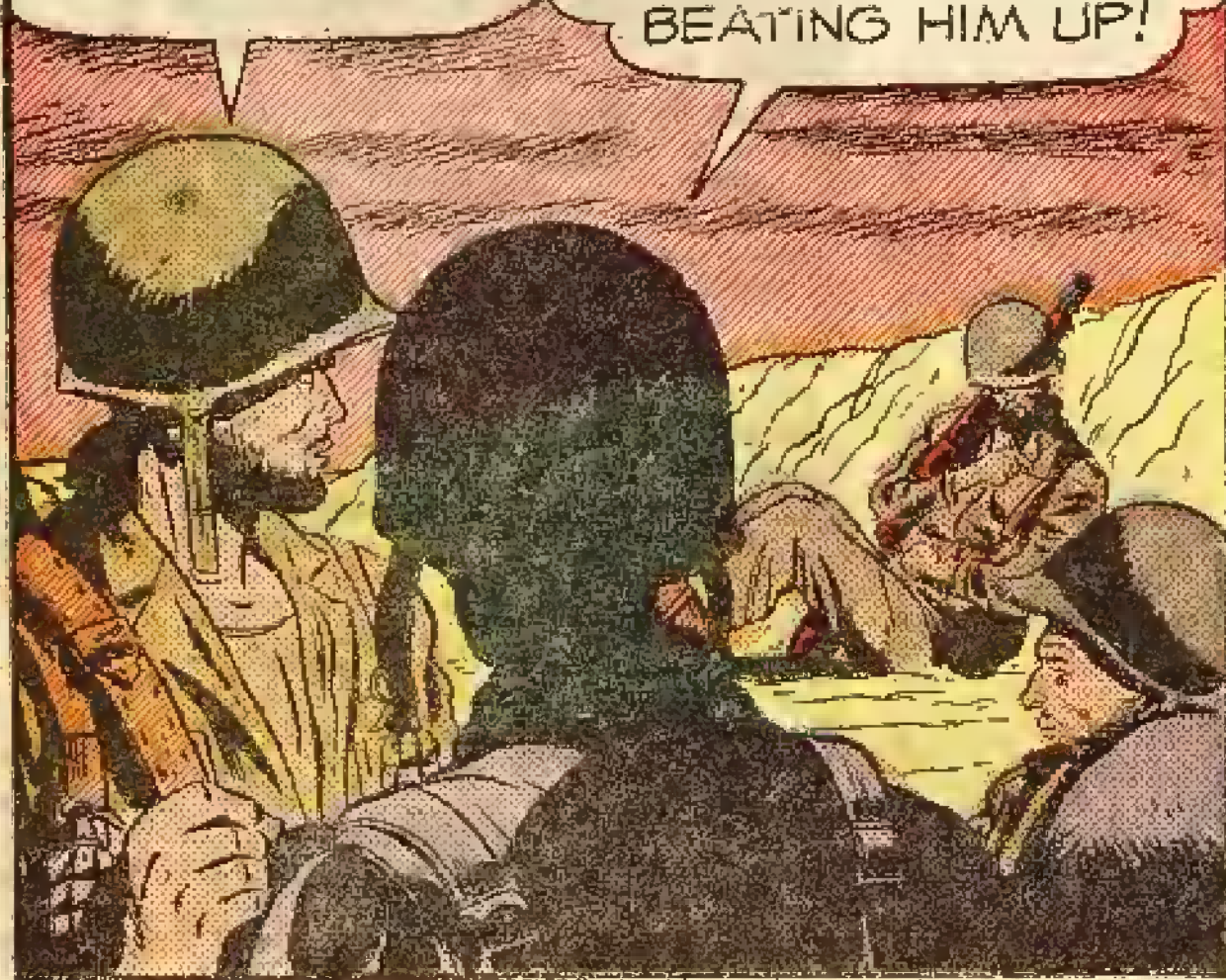


HE AIN'T NO GOOD FOR *THIS* OUTFIT, BELIEVE ME! HE'S A LOUSY SKUNK!

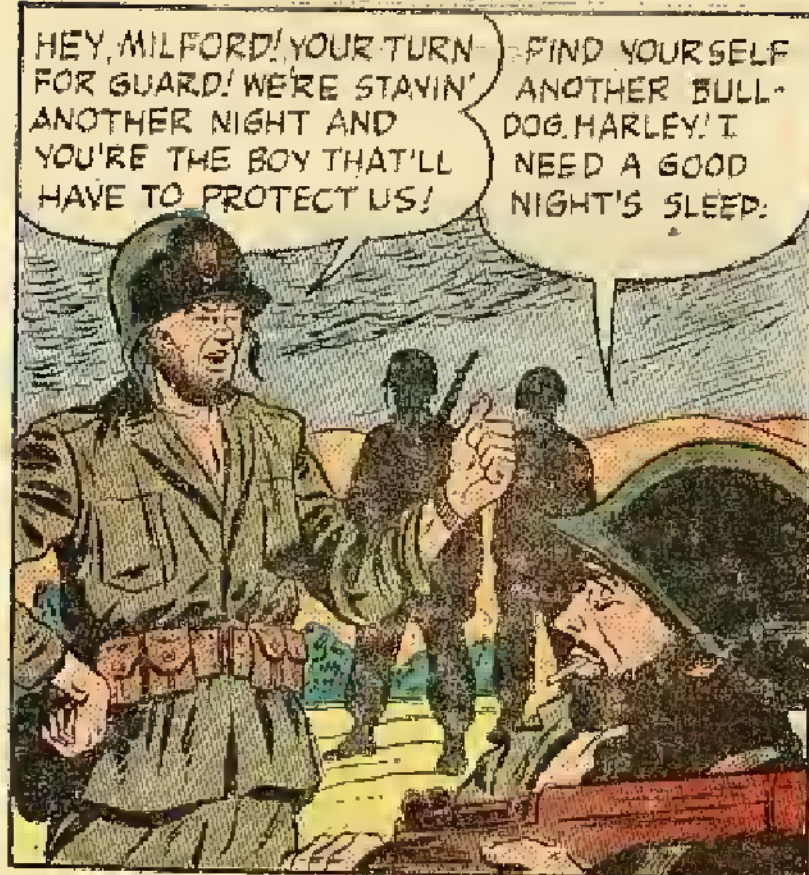
YEAH! REMEMBER HOW HE ALMOST KILLED WILSON IN THAT BRAWL? IT WAS AS IF HE ENJOYED BEATING HIM UP!

THE LESS WE HAVE TO DO WITH MILFORD, THE BETTER OFF WE'LL ALL BE!

YOU SAID IT! NOW, C'MON, DEAL THE CARDS!







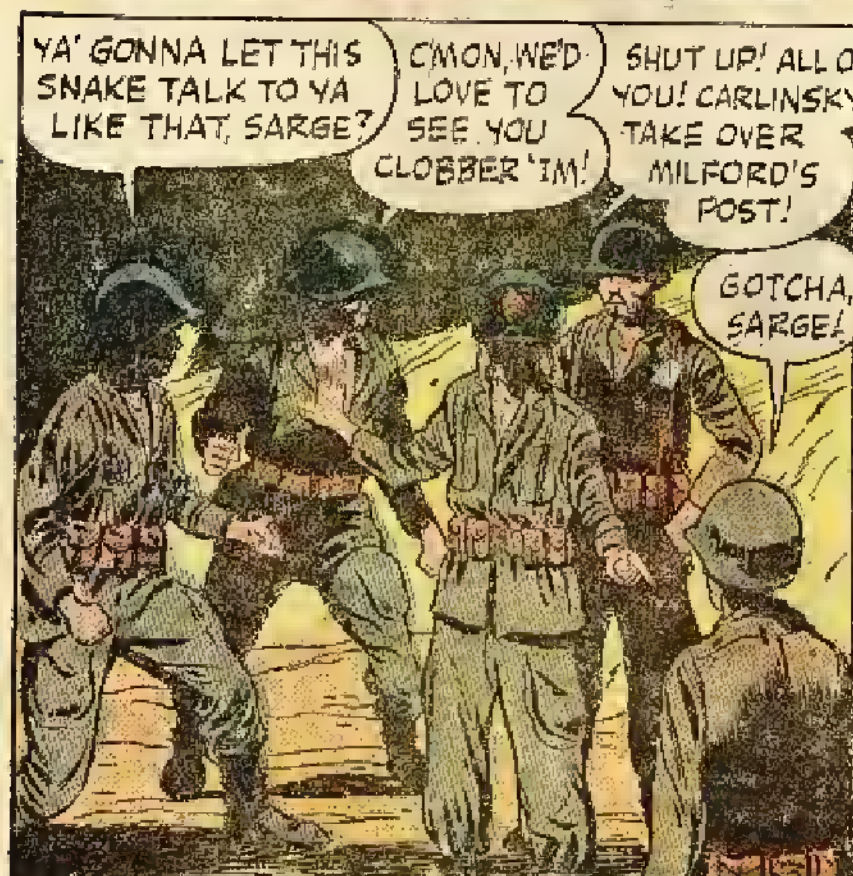
HEY, MILFORD! YOUR TURN FOR GUARD! WE'RE STAYIN' ANOTHER NIGHT AND YOU'RE THE BOY THAT'LL HAVE TO PROTECT US!

FIND YOURSELF ANOTHER BULL-DOG. HARLEY! I NEED A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP.



WHY, YOU... I COULD HAVE YOU...

GO AHEAD! DO WHAT YOU WANT- BUT YOU'LL HAVE TA FIND ANOTHER BOY FOR GUARD DUTY!

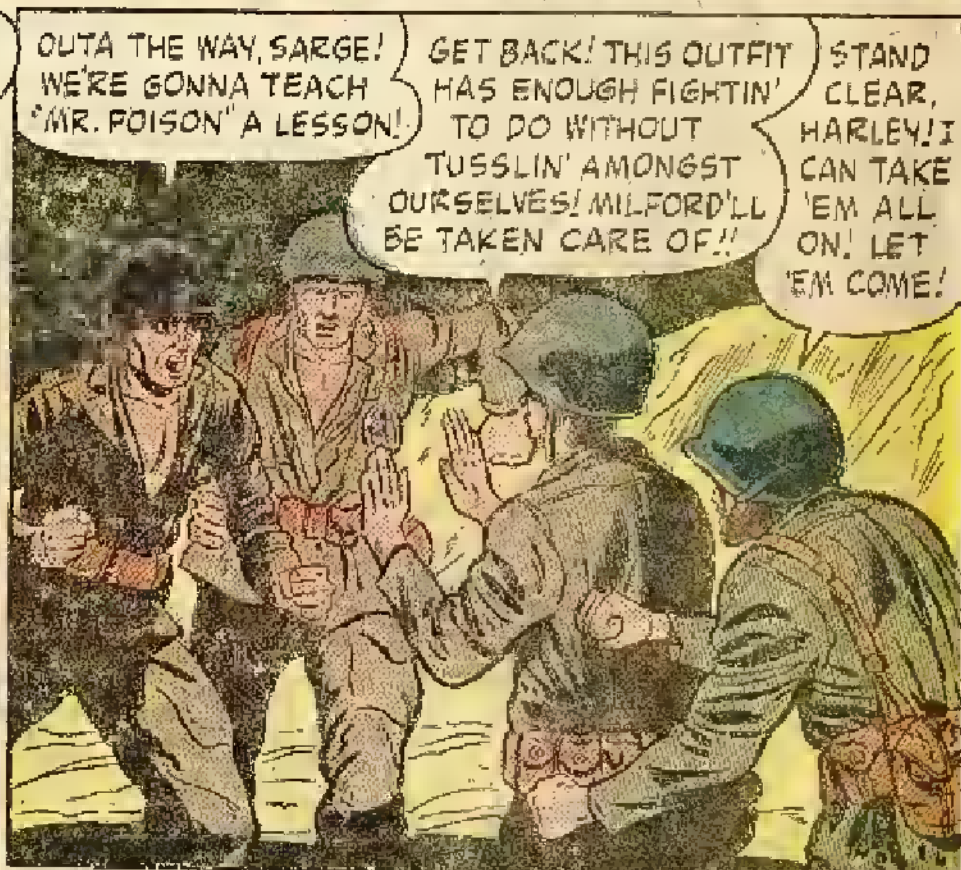


YA' GONNA LET THIS SNAKE TALK TO YA LIKE THAT, SARGE?

C'MON, WE'D LOVE TO SEE YOU CLOBBER 'IM!

SHUT UP! ALL OF YOU! CARLINSKY, TAKE OVER MILFORD'S POST!

GOTCHA, SARGE!



OUTA THE WAY, SARGE! WE'RE GONNA TEACH 'MR. POISON' A LESSON!

GET BACK! THIS OUTFIT HAS ENOUGH FIGHTIN' TO DO WITHOUT TUSSLIN' AMONGST OURSELVES! MILFORD'LL BE TAKEN CARE OF!!

STAND CLEAR, HARLEY! I CAN TAKE 'EM ALL ON! LET 'EM COME!



THE SARGE IS RIGHT! C'MON, GUYS, LET'S GET SOME SHUT-EYE!

YA YELLA-BELLIES! COME BACK AN' FIGHT! YA' FILTHY YELLA BELLIES!

NIGHT FALLS ON THE BATTLE-FRONT, WEARY MEN SEEK SOLACE IN SLUMBER. BUT SUDDENLY, THEY ARE JOLTED UPRIGHT BY A BLOOD-CURDLING SCREAM...



IT CAME FROM CARLINSKY'S POST!



IT'S CARLINSKY! HIS THROAT IS BLIT FROM EAR TO EAR!





HEY, SARGE! DID OUR LITTLE GUARDIAN ANGEL FALL ASLEEP? WHAT KIND OF WATCH DOGS HAVE WE GOT AROUND HERE? A MAN AIN'T SAFE!

I'LL TELL YA HOW SAFE WE ARE, MILFORD!



CARLINSKY'S DEAD, MILFORD! AND EVERY MAN IN THIS OUTFIT WISHES IT WAS YOU!

SO HE'S DEAD... SO WHAT! NOW GET YOUR MITTS OFFA ME!!



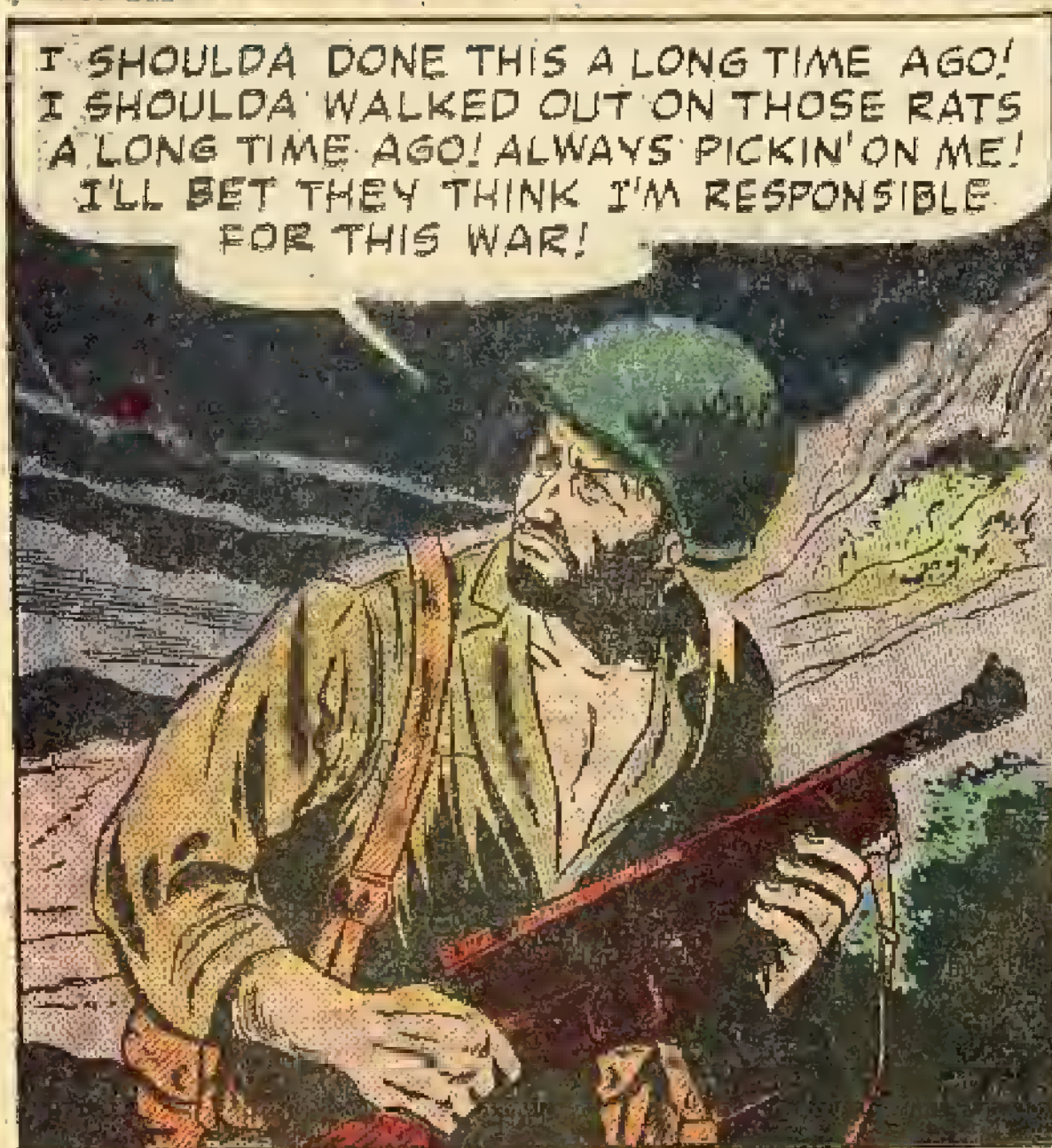
I OUGHTA...  
DOF!!

YOU'RE NOT DOING ANYTHING!



WHY, THAT...  
C'MON, GUYS--

LET 'IM GO! LET 'IM GO! ...THE SKUNK AIN'T WORTH IT!



I SHOULDA DONE THIS A LONG TIME AGO! I SHOULDA WALKED OUT ON THOSE RATS A LONG TIME AGO! ALWAYS PICKIN' ON ME! I'LL BET THEY THINK I'M RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS WAR!



AH-HHH NUTS TO THEM!  
NUTS TO EVERYONE!



MEANWHILE, COMPANY "A" PREPARES FOR COMBAT.

LET'S GO, MEN!  
SNAP IT UP! THIS  
WAR CAN'T WAIT!

...AN' I CAN'T WAIT TO  
GET OUTA THIS MESS!



YEAH, YOU AIN'T THE ONLY ONE!  
IT'S A GOOD THING THERE AIN'T  
MORE CAL MILFORDS! THAT CRUMB  
IS THE REDS' BEST WEAPON!

TAKE IT SLOW,  
SARGE! HE'S NOT  
WORTH  
TALKING  
ABOUT!



SOME HOURS PASS AND SOON COMPANY  
"A" MEETS THE ENEMY...

POUR IT ON,  
GUYS!

THERE MUST BE  
MILLIONS OF 'EM!



THE VALIANT MEN OF COMPANY "A" SUFFER HUGE  
LOSSES AS THE POWERFUL ENEMY FORCE  
ATTACKS WITH BLAZING FURY...

WE CAN'T TAKE MUCH  
MORE OF THIS! HALF  
MY COMPANY HAS BEEN  
WIPE OUT ALREADY!



AND ON A NEARBY HILL...

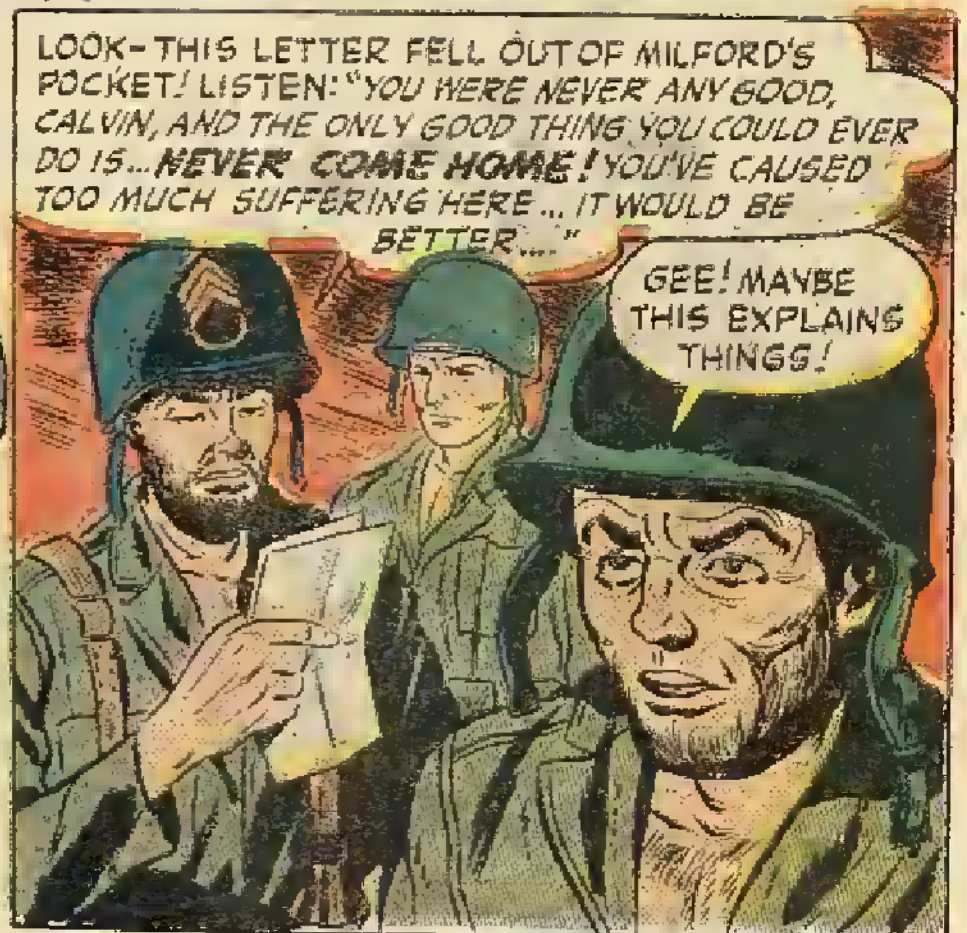
REDS! THOUSANDS OF  
'EM! HERE'S WHERE I GET  
ME A FEW!





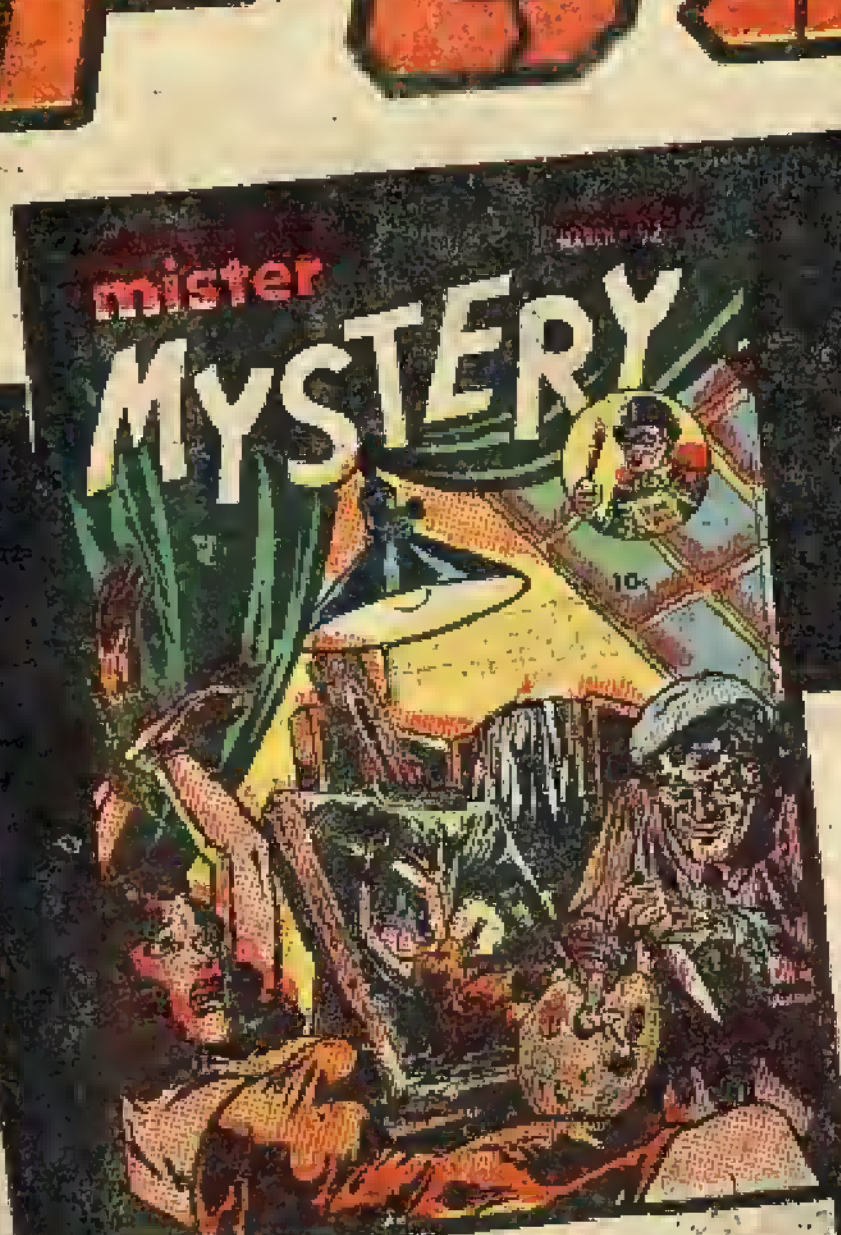




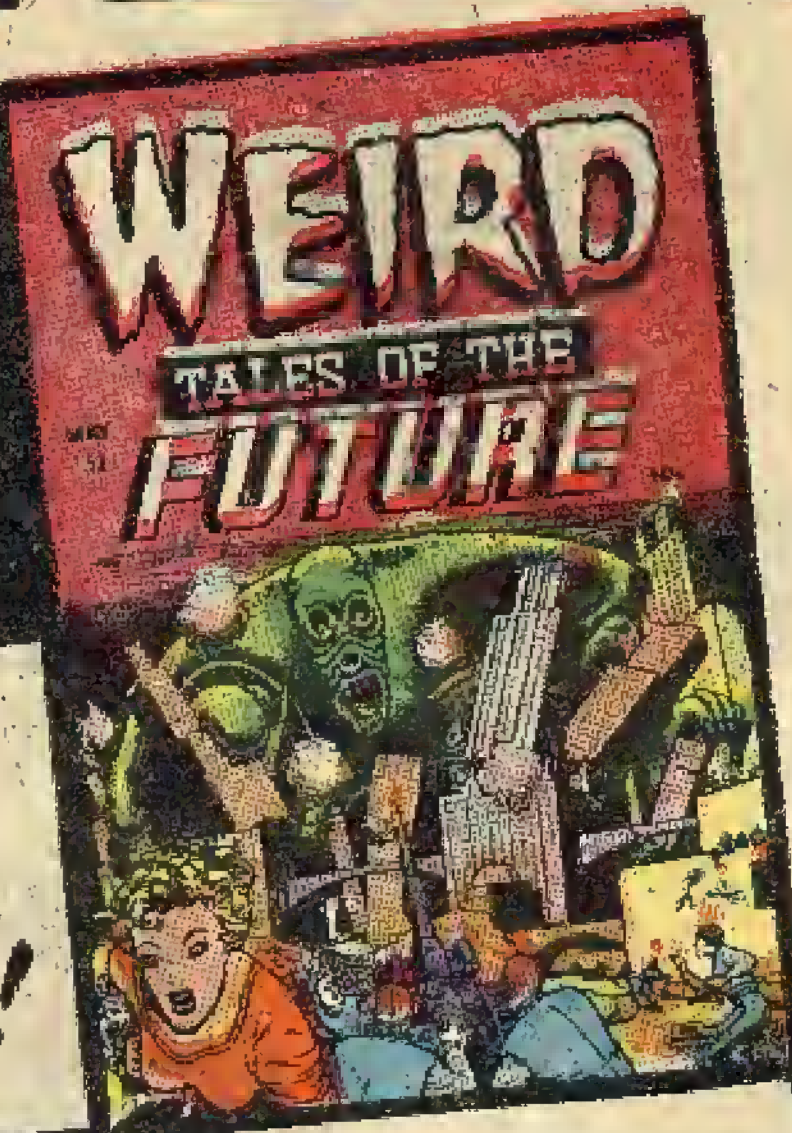




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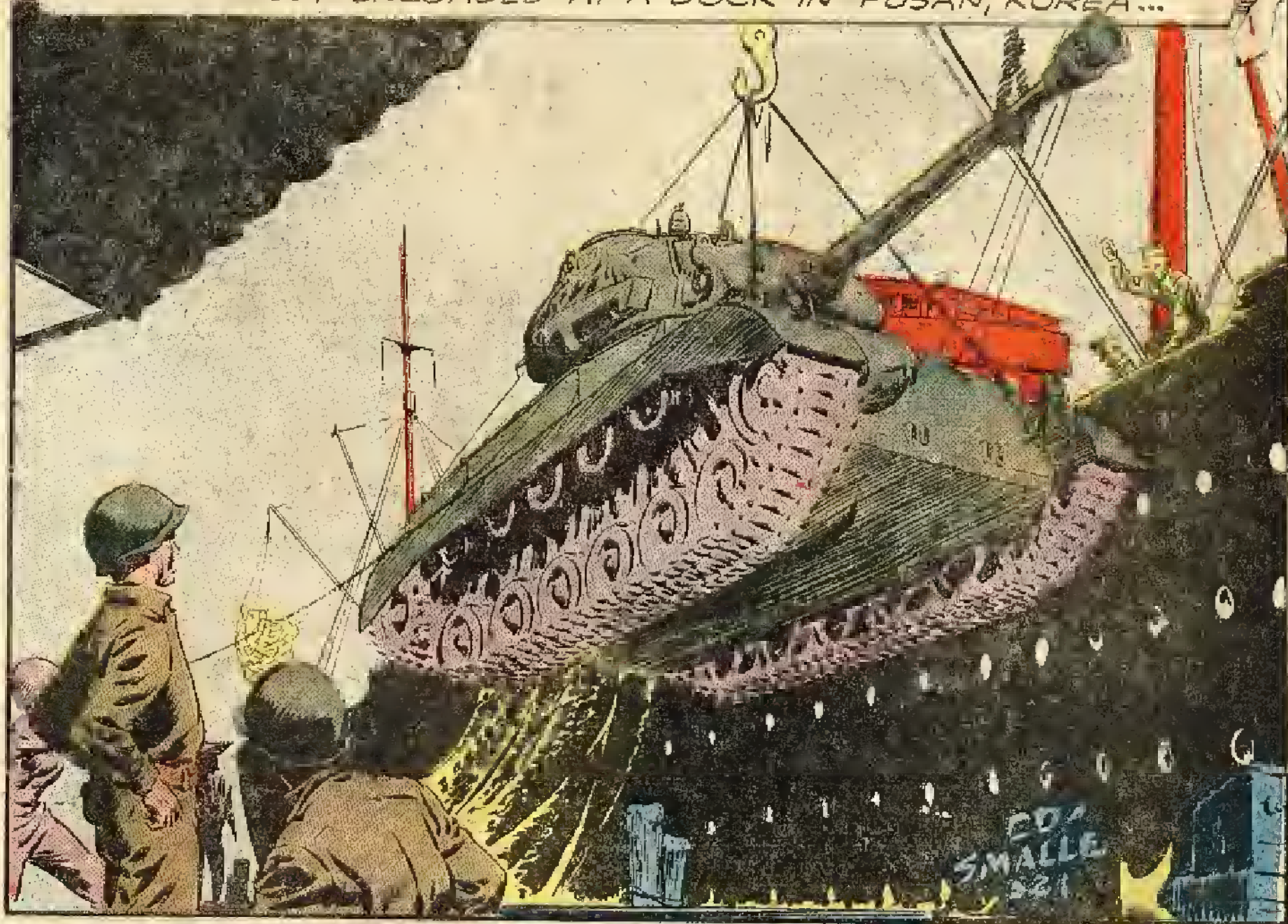
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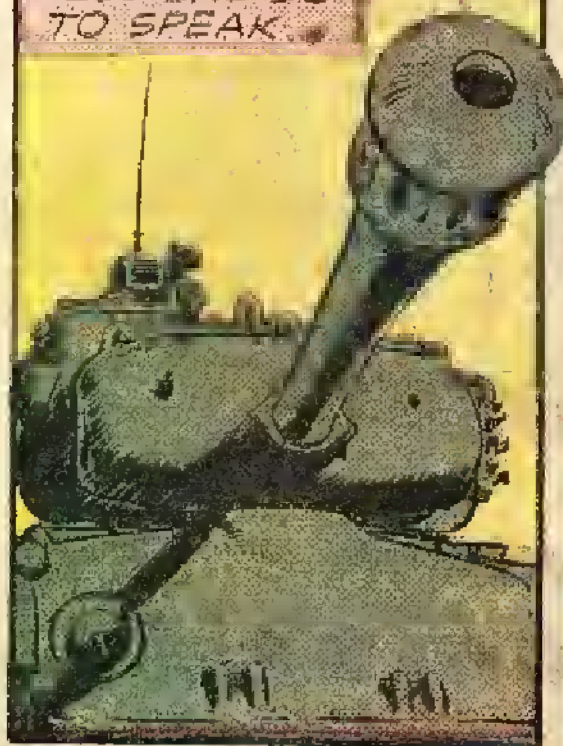


# TALE OF A TANK

THIS IS A PERSHING M-26 TANK. ORIGINALLY A PILE OF SCRAP METAL IN NEW JERSEY... THEN MOULDED, MELTED AND WELDED INTO 43 TONS OF MECHANIZED MIGHT AT A STEEL MILL IN PITTSBURGH... AND FINALLY UNLOADED AT A DOCK IN PUSAN, KOREA...



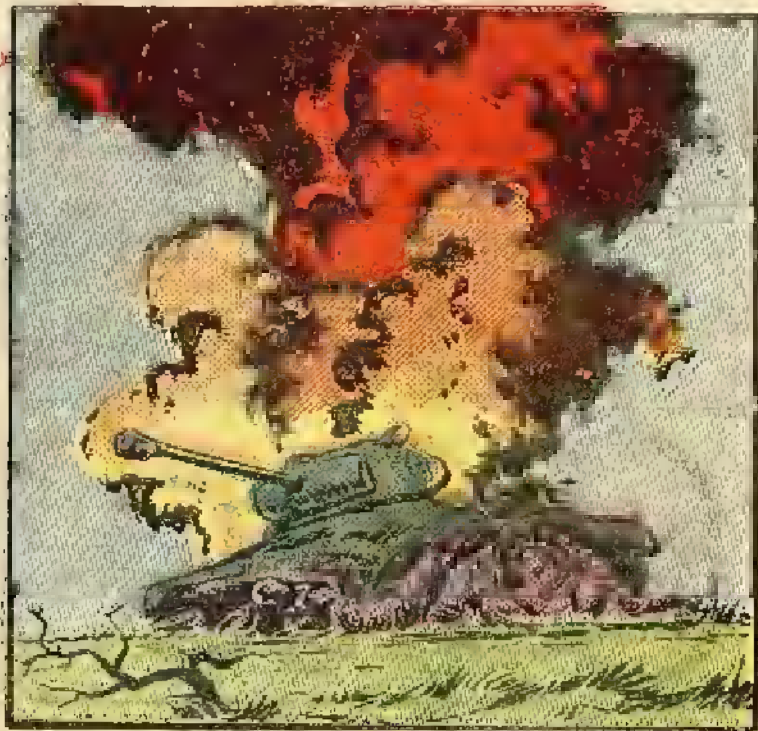
THIS IS THE SPEAKING END OF THE TANK'S 90 MM CANNON... THE BUSINESS END SO TO SPEAK.



...AND THIS IS THE HAND OF CORPORAL JOHNNY PETERS, LATE OF YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO... AND EVEN LATER OF THE U.S. ARMY...

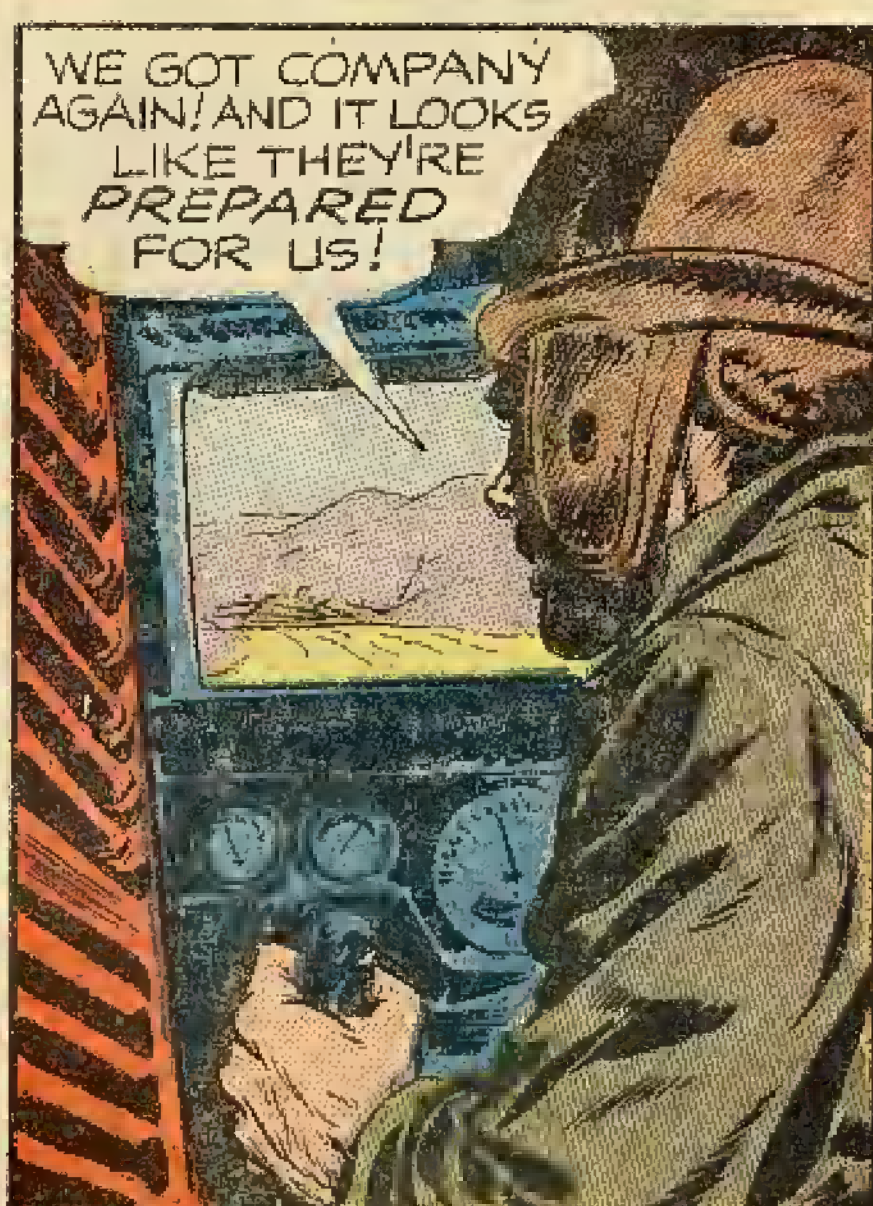
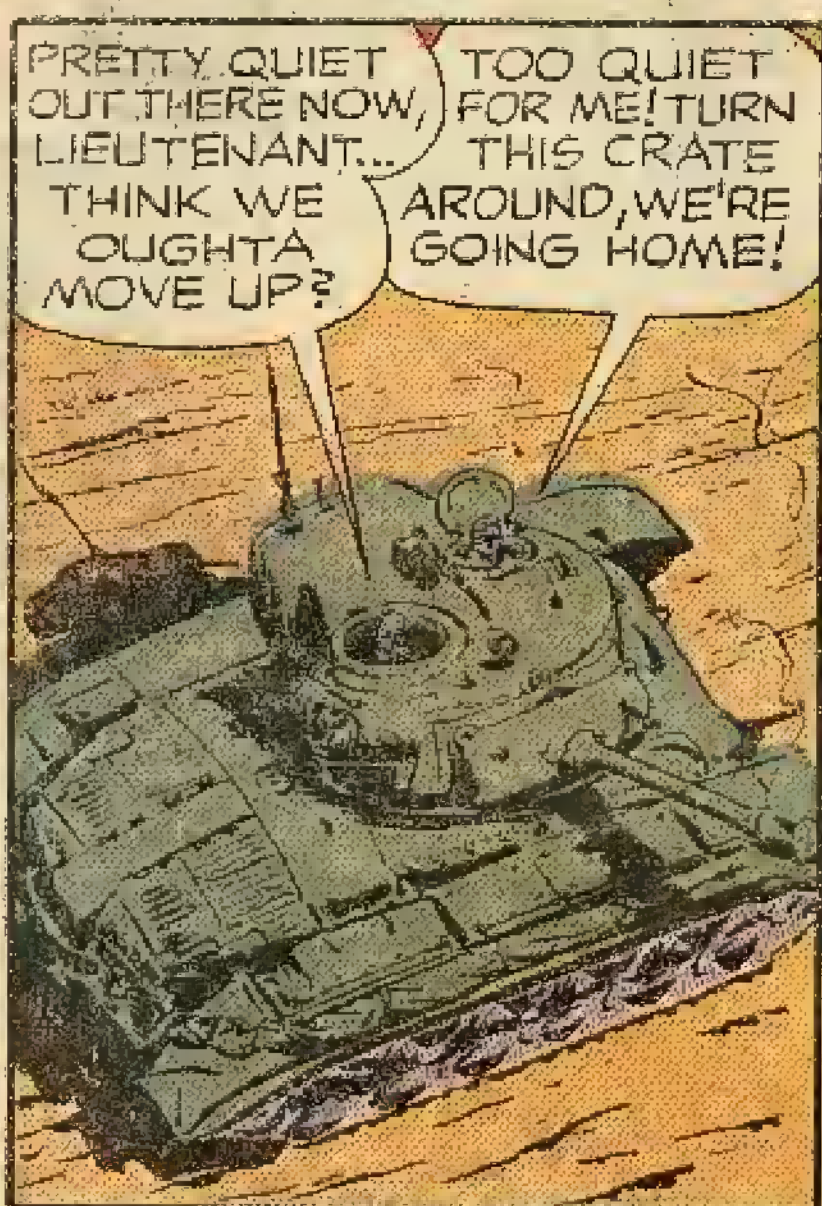
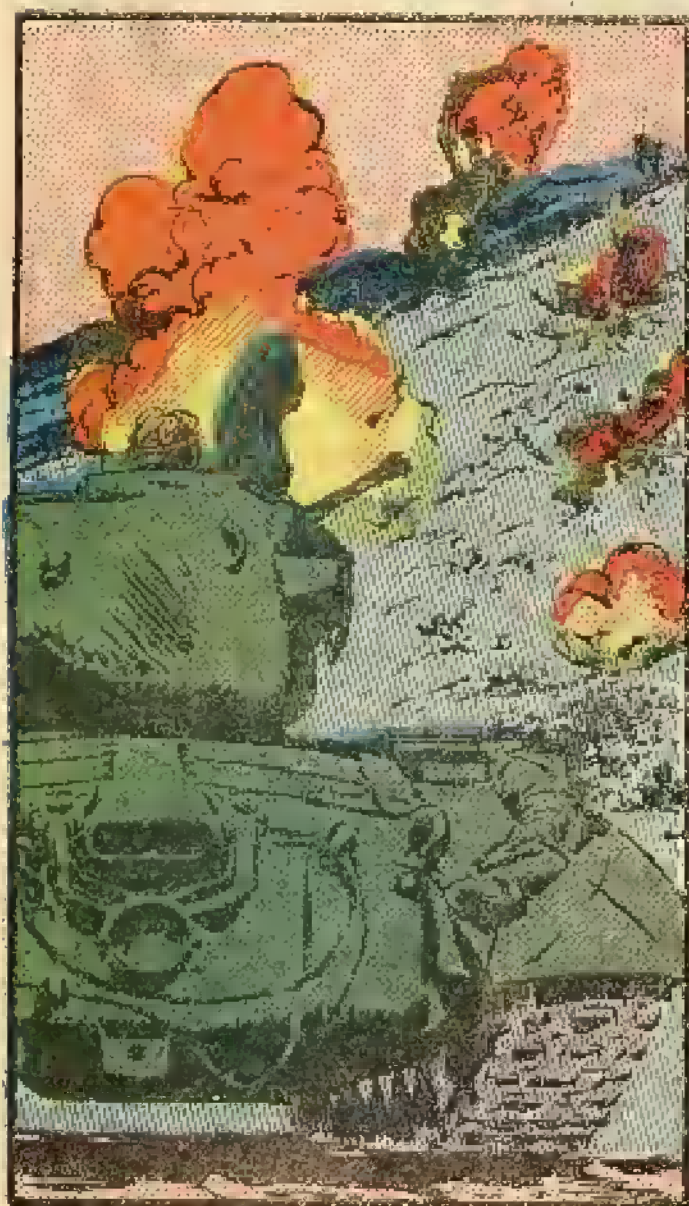


...AND THIS IS JOHNNY'S FUNERAL PYRE... THE NICE NEW SHINY PERSHING M-26, ORIGINALLY A PILE OF SCRAP METAL, AND NOW... BUT WE'RE AHEAD OF OUR STORY...

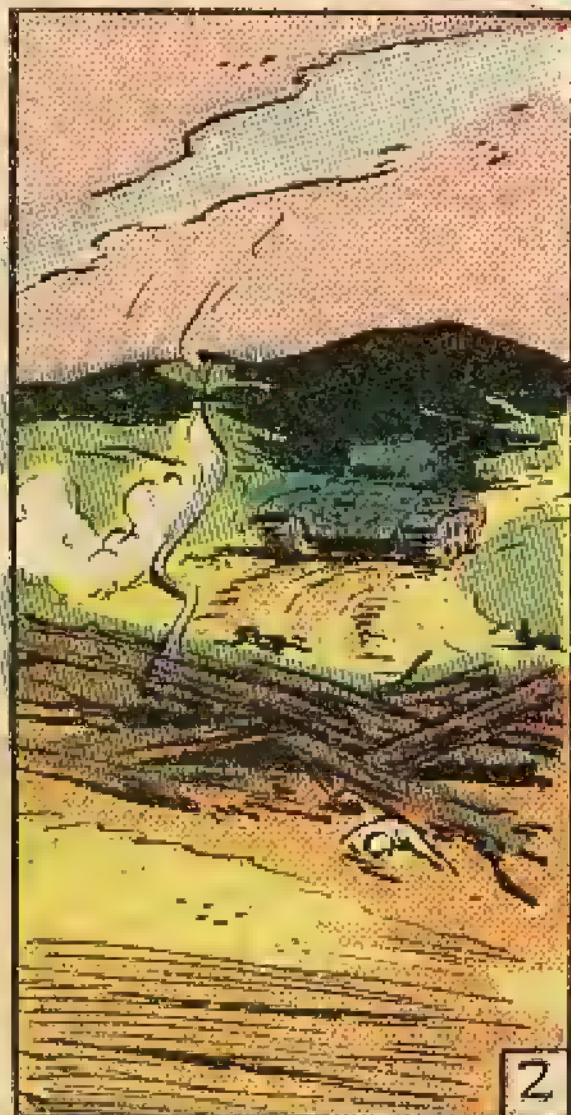
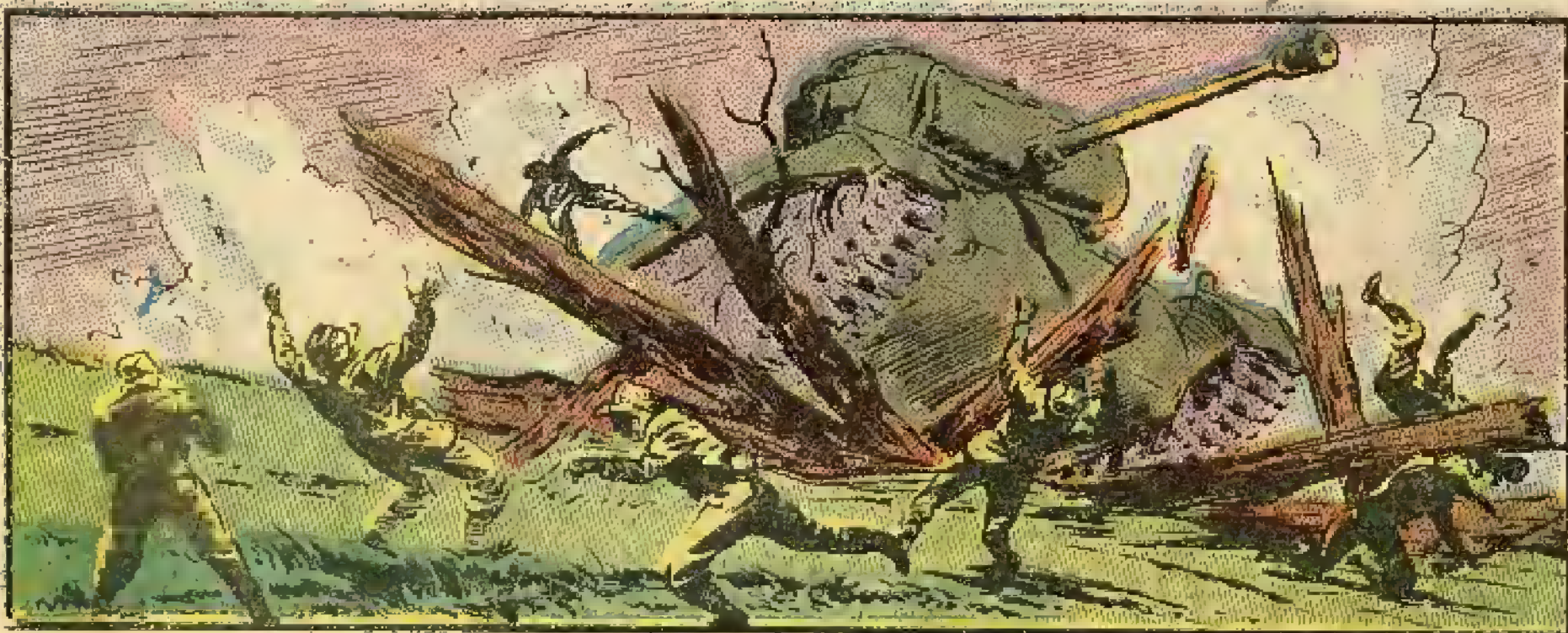




**A**FTER MANY BITTER MONTHS, THE YANKS TOOK THE INITIATIVE AND WE HEADED NORTH PAST THE PARALLEL, AND INTO GOOK TERRITORY...



**B**UT A WOODEN BLOCKADE WASN'T ENOUGH TO STOP THE MOVING MOUNTAIN OF STEEL!

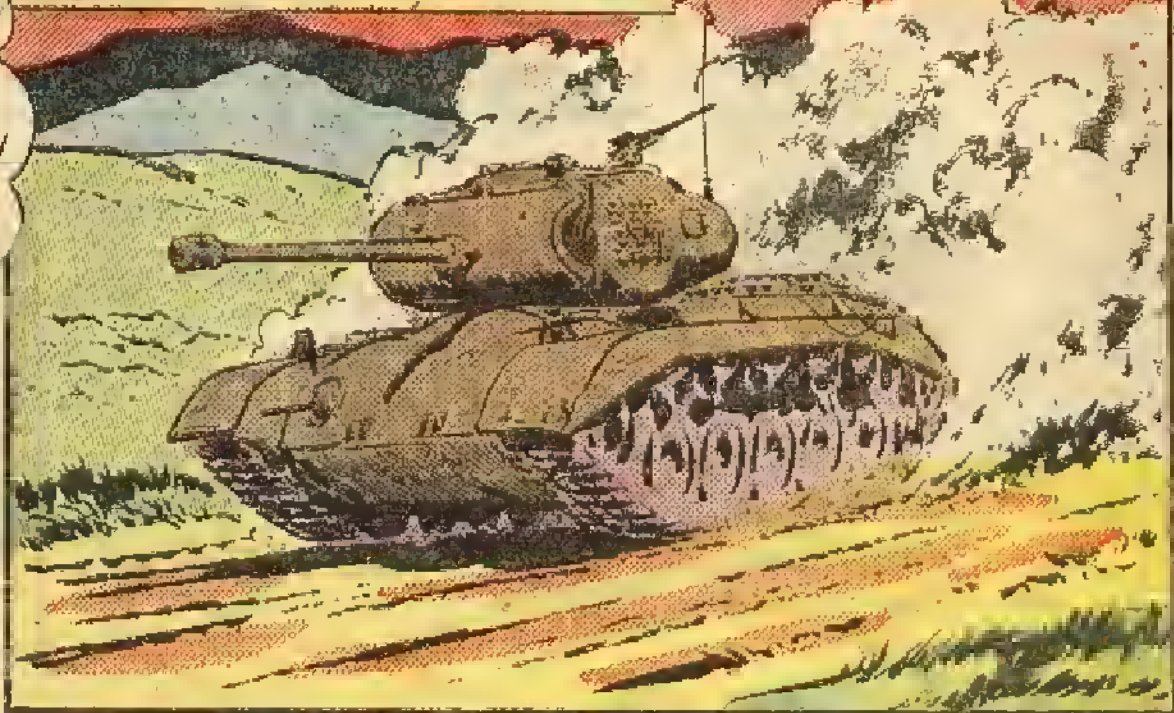




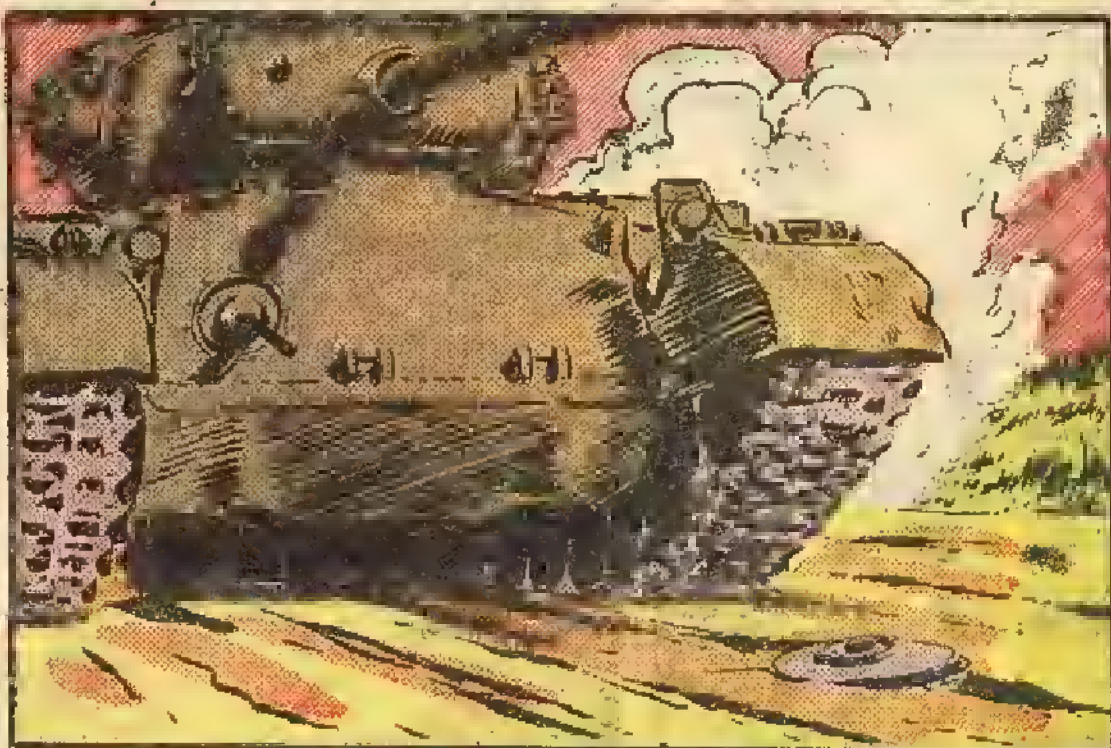
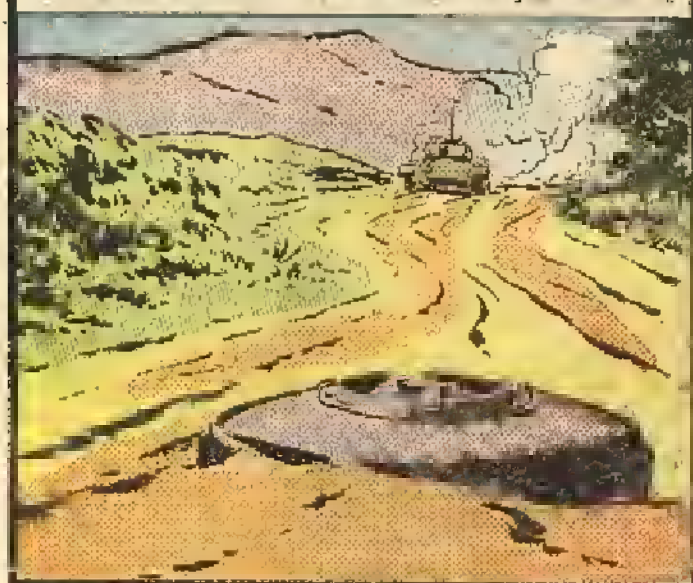
JOHNNY, THIS AIN'T ONE OF THOSE HOT RODS YOU'RE ALWAYS TALKING ABOUT, BUT LET'S GOOD PRETEND IT IS AND SEE DEAL! HOW FAST YOU CAN GET THIS TANK BACK TO OUR LINES! I ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE HOW SOUPED UP THIS THING REALLY IS!



GATHERING MOMENTUM, THE 43 TONS OF SCRAP ROLLED ON DOWN THE ROAD...

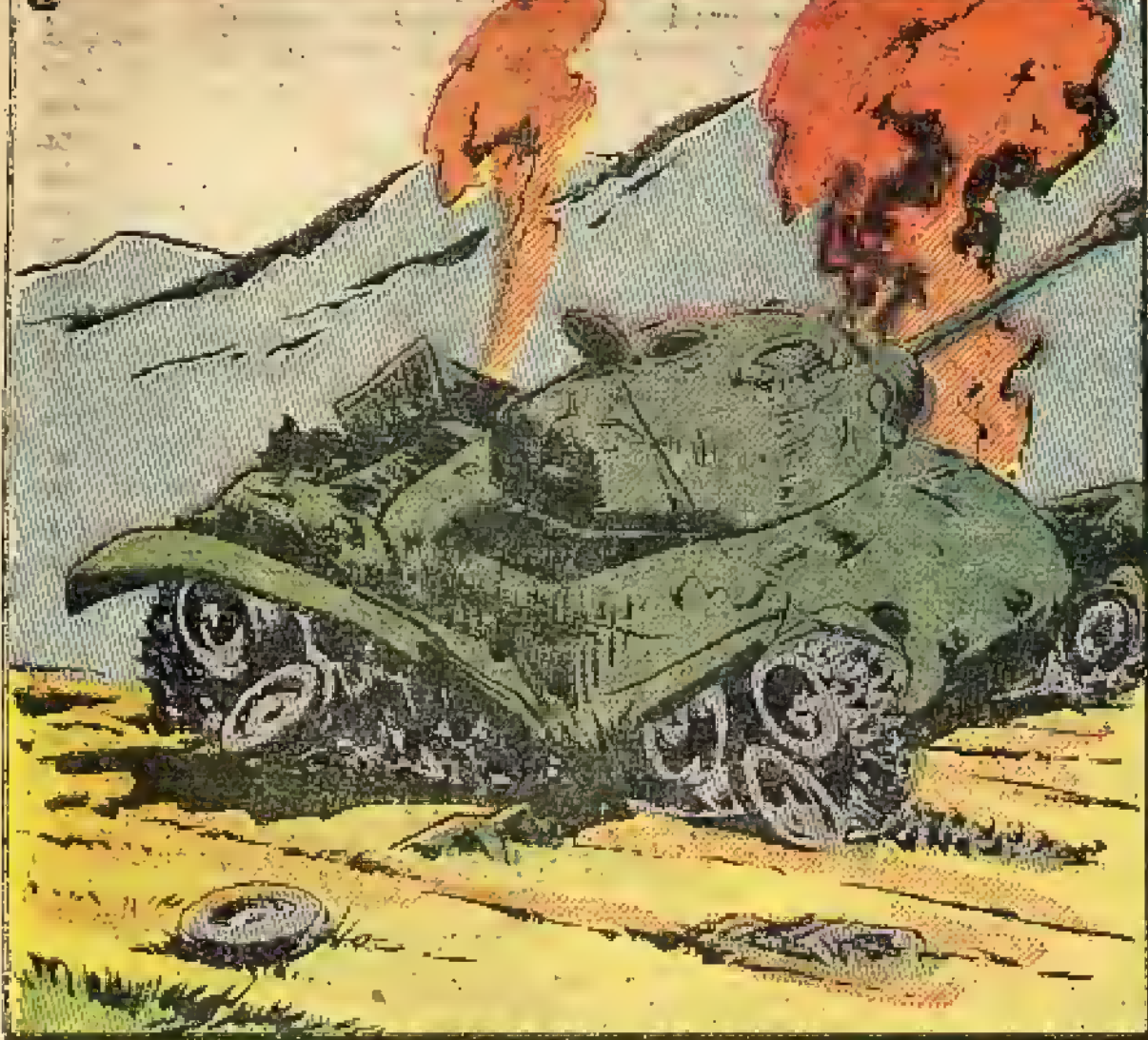


BUT ANOTHER PILE OF SCRAP METAL LAY IN ITS PATH... NOT 43 TONS OF IT... BUT ENOUGH TO CAUSE TROUBLE...



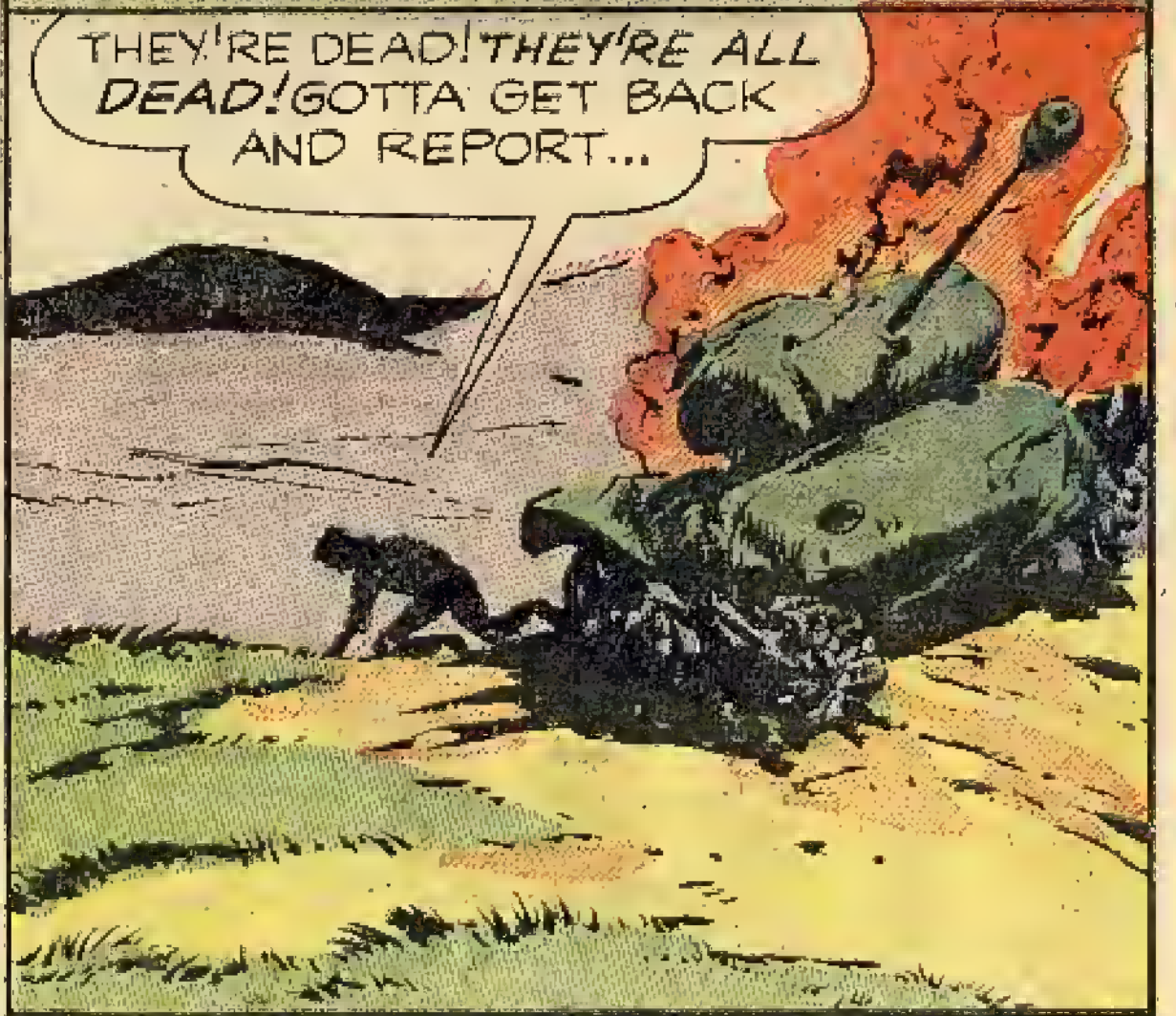


THE SCRAP PILE SHUDDERED TO A HALT...

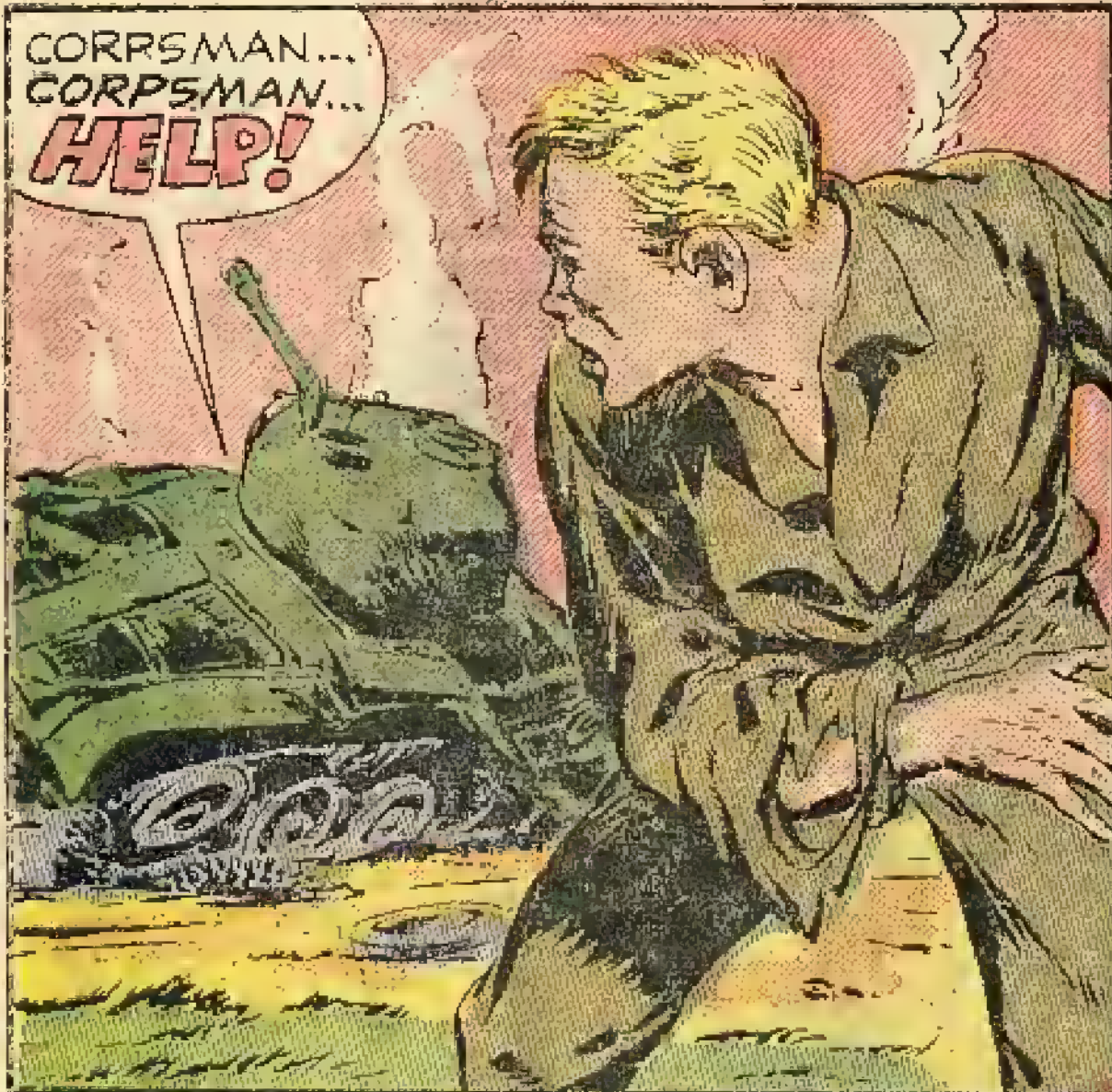


...AND FINALLY A FIGURE STRUGGLED OUT OF THE ESCAPE HATCH... JOHNNY PETERS!

THEY'RE DEAD! THEY'RE ALL DEAD! GOTTA GET BACK AND REPORT...

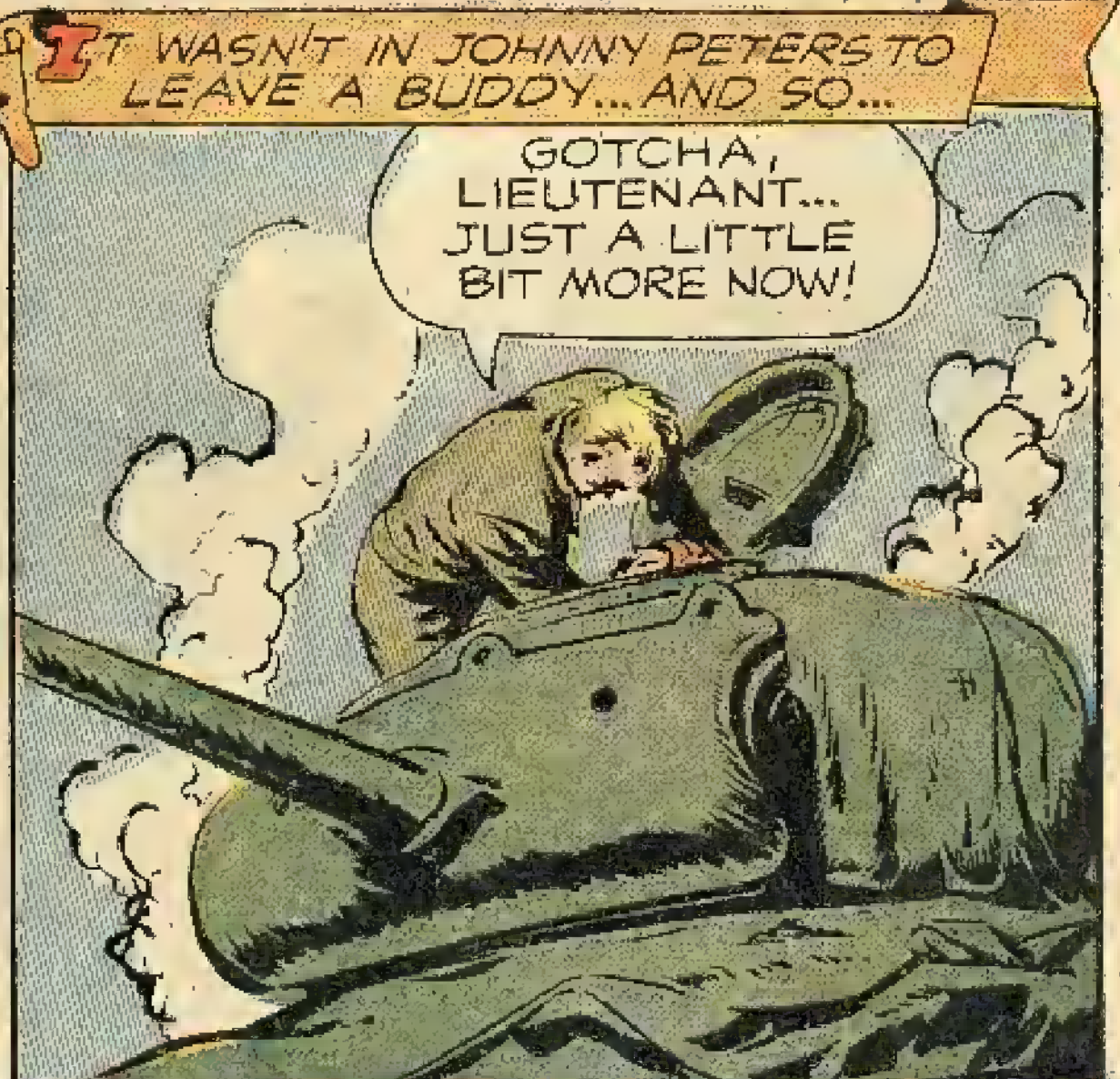


CORPSMAN...  
CORPSMAN...  
**HELP!**

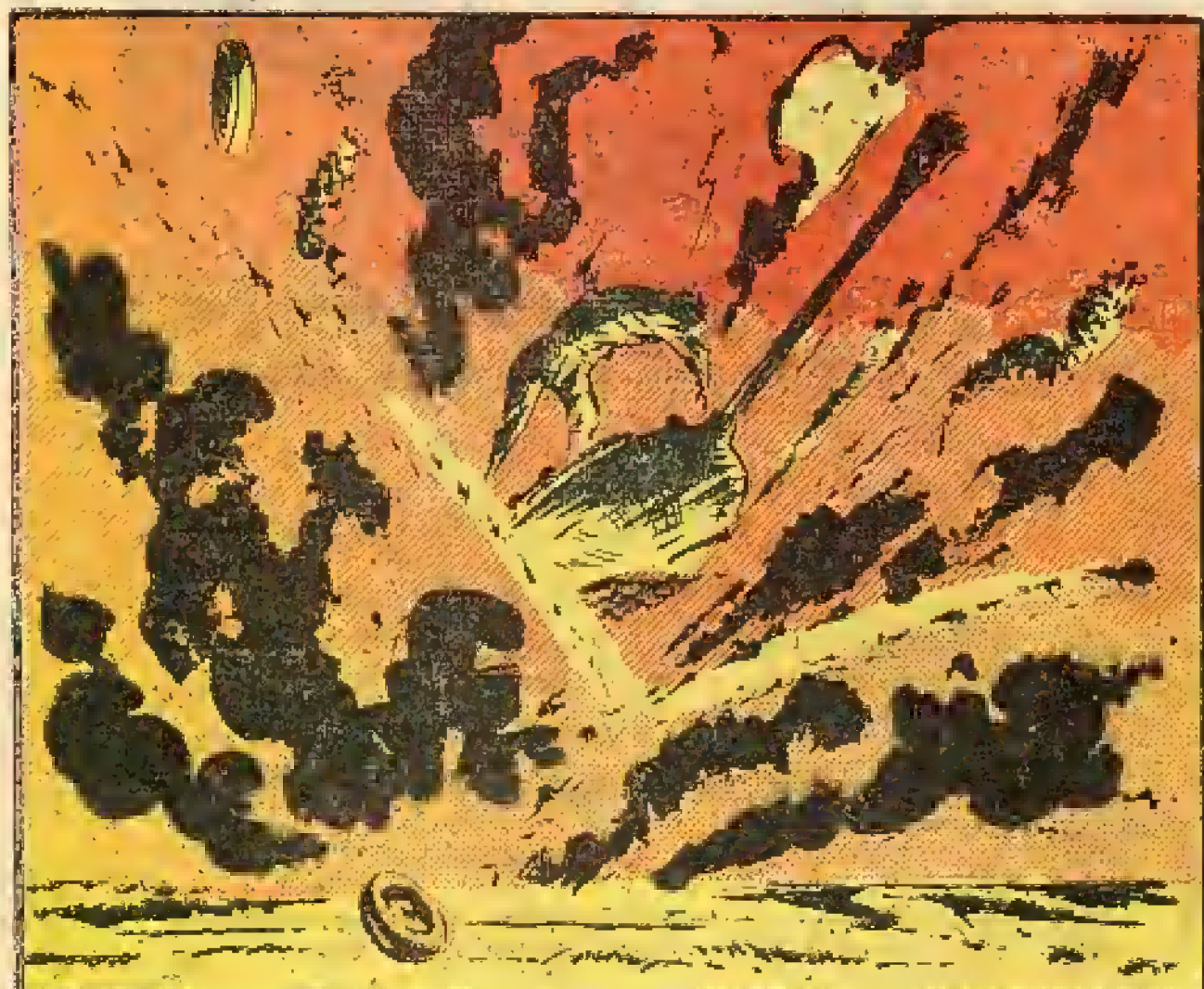


IT WASN'T IN JOHNNY PETERS TO LEAVE A BUDDY... AND SO...

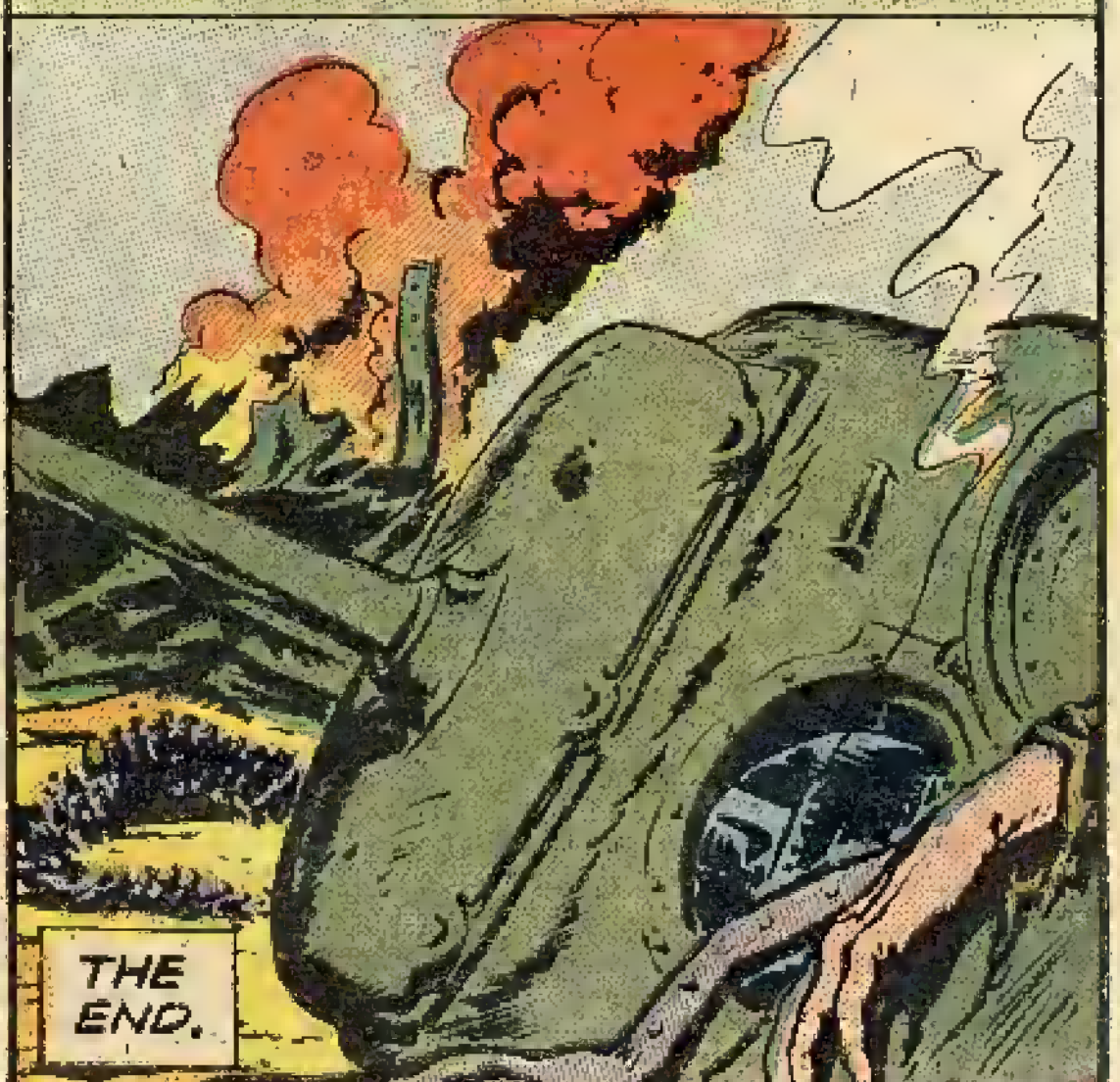
GOTCHA, LIEUTENANT...  
JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE NOW!



ONCE AGAIN THE MELTING AND MOULDING TOOK PLACE... BUT THIS TIME RESULTING IN...



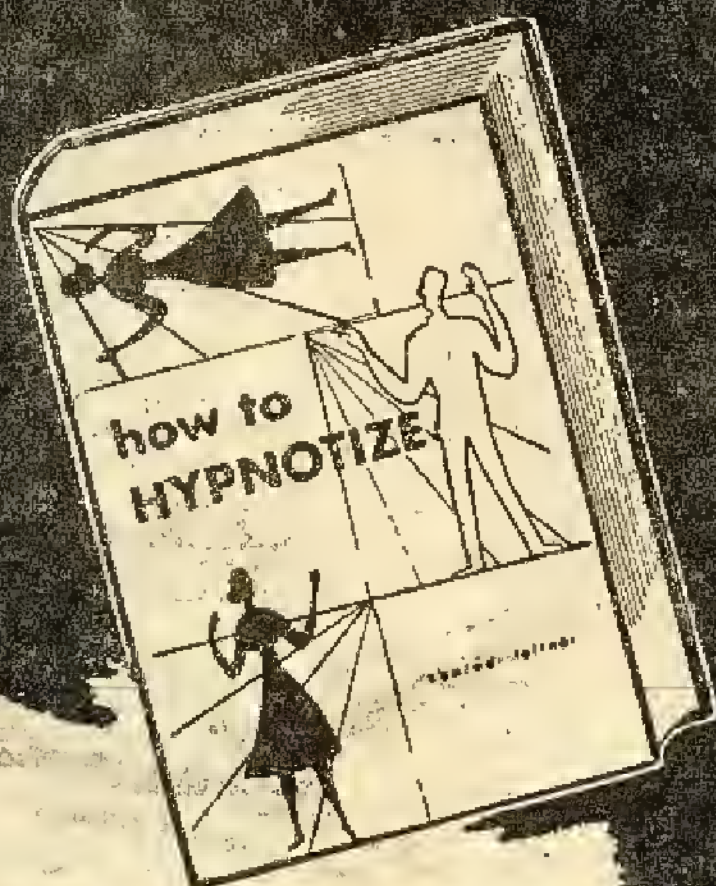
... 43 TONS OF SCRAP AND JUNK!



THE END.



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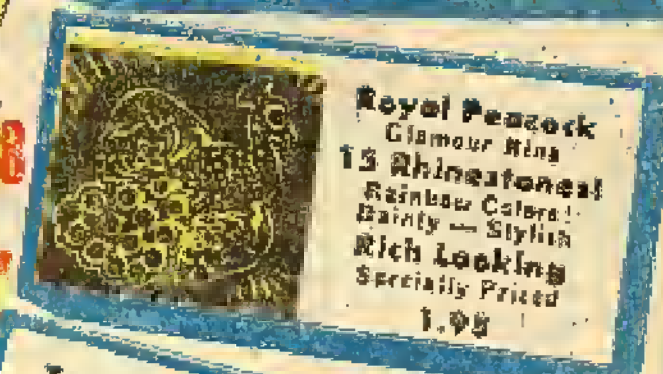
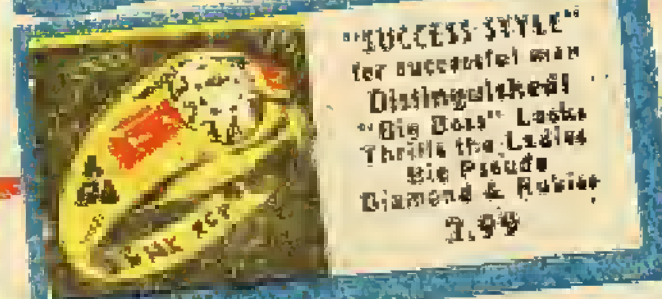
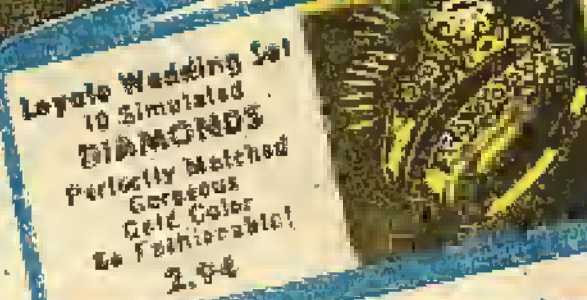
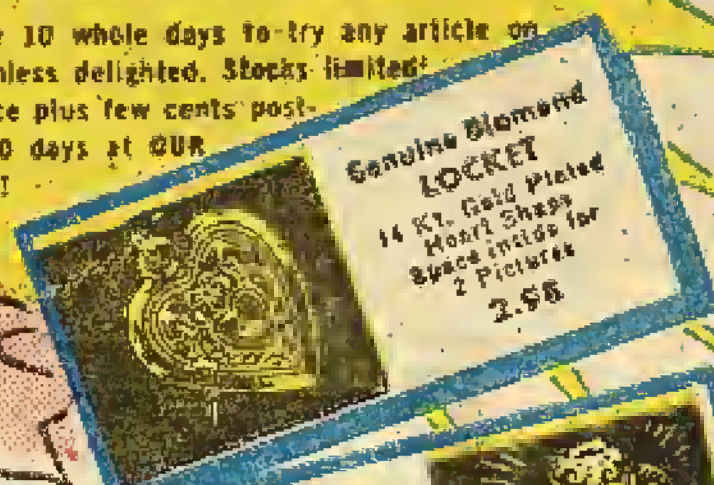
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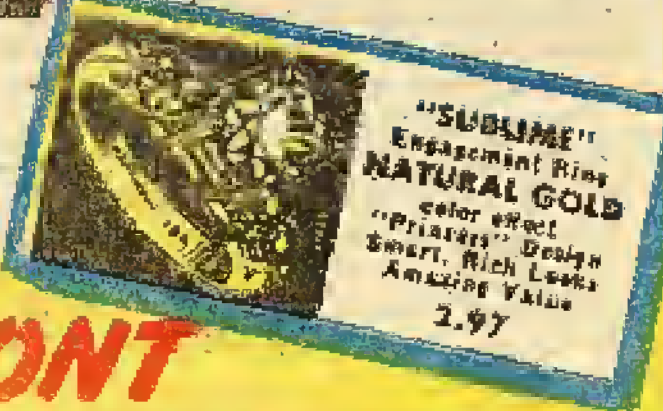
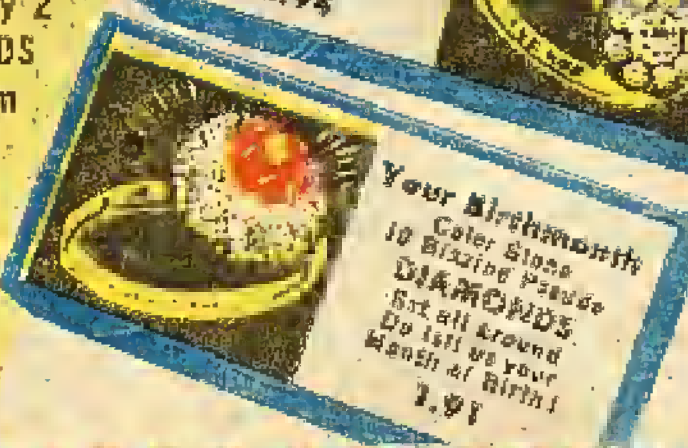
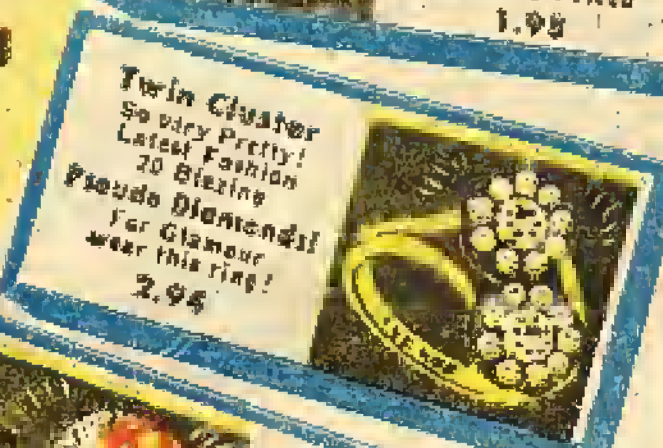
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... or pay **NOTHING!**

**IT'S FABULOUS!**

most amazing foundation  
ever made featuring

**BREVY** the new  
*Miracle* TUMMY THINNER!

**N**EW Fabulous, with extra added Brevy, the miracle Tummy Thinner, flattens tummy *instantly*. Flabby, bulgy front is pushed back in and held there. Immediately after slipping into Fabulous your tape measure will read up to 4 inches\* less than before. Think of it. No other foundation—regardless of price, can do more—because only Fabulous has Brevy. But convince yourself—make the tape measure test and prove to your own satisfaction what Fabulous with Brevy will do for you—or *pay nothing*.

**LIGHTWEIGHT MAGIC  
NO STEELS! NO BONES! NO STAYS!**

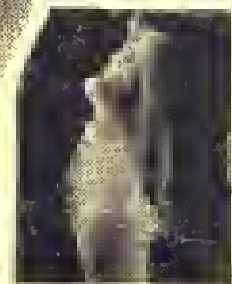
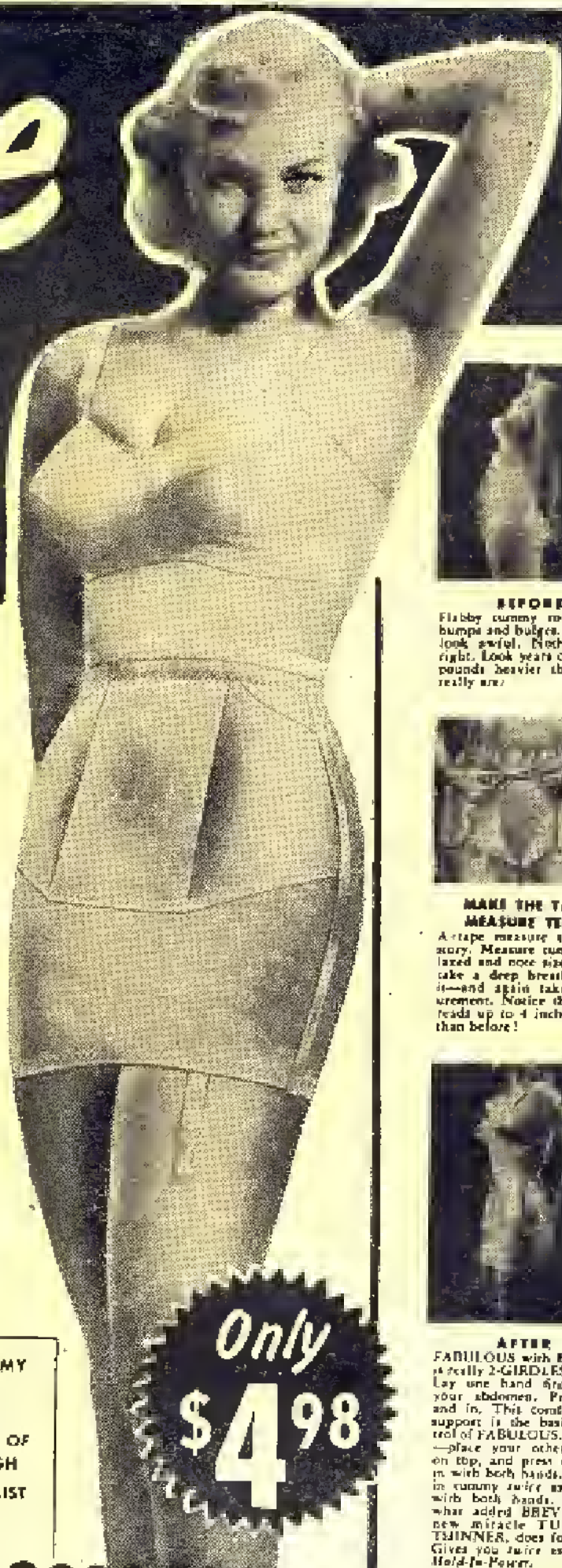
Fabulous, with Brevy combined, has double hold in power, yet weighs less than so-called lightweight belts. There are no steels, no bones or stays in Fabulous! Extra, added Brevy does all the work and does it better! Designed with the non-roll waistband of Lip-O-Lastic. Will not and cannot roll up or down.

**SEND NO MONEY!  
ORDER ON APPROVAL!**

Convince yourself! Simply mail the coupon. Fabulous with Brevy, the 2-in-1 girdle, is guaranteed to reduce your tummy measurement up to 4 inches\* instantly. If not *delighted* with the instantaneous results return in 10 days for immediate refund! Don't miss this offer! Order today! **ON APPROVAL! Now!**

\*According to your anatomical structure.

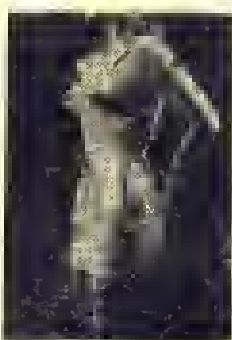
- REDUCES TUMMY APPEARANCE INSTANTLY
- TRIMS LOOKS OF HIP AND THIGH
- TUCKS IN WAIST
- NO STEELS
- NO BONES
- NON-ROLL WAISTBAND
- 2 GIRDLES IN 1



**BEFORE**  
Flabby tummy roll, ugly bumps and bulges. Closets look awful. Nothing fits right. Look years older... pounds heavier than you really are!



**MAKE THE TAPE MEASURE TEST!**  
A tape measure tells the story. Measure tummy relaxed and loose size. Now, take a deep breath—hold it—and again take measurement. Notice that tape reads up to 4 inches\* less than before!



**AFTER**  
FABULOUS with BREVY is really 2-GIRDLES-IN-1! Lay one hand flatly on your abdomen. Press up and in. This comfortable support is the basic control of FABULOUS. NOW—place your other hand on top, and press up and in with both hands. Takes in tummy *twice* as much with both hands. That's what added BREVY, the new miracle TUMMY THINNER, does for you. Gives you *twice* as much Hold-In-Power.

**Only  
\$4.98**

**WARD GREEN CO., Dept. F3**  
113 West 57th St., New York 19, N. Y.

**RUSH** my FABULOUS Girdle with BREVY—new miracle Tummy Thinner, as indicated below, **ON APPROVAL** by Return Mail in plain wrapper. I'll pay postman amazing low price of only \$4.98 plus postage. If not delighted with the sensational results, if it doesn't **REDUCE TUMMY MEASUREMENT** up to 4 inches\* **INSTANTLY**, I may return in 10 days for full refund of purchase price on Special Money Back Guarantee Offer!



My waist size is.....

Send regular style ☐

☐ Send panty style (\$5.50)

☐ Extra panty crotch pieces 75¢ each

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Zone \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I enclose \$4.98 (Panty \$5.50). Sent prepaid. (Ward Green pays all postage.) Same **MONEY BACK GUARANTEE** applies.

Canada and foreign countries no C.O.D. Send \$5.50. Panty \$6.00.

**FABULOUS with BREVY**, instantly shapes  
and molds you to the size you've always wanted

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**MEDICAL  
DOCTOR says:**



**It's FUN  
to REDUCE  
with KELPIDINE  
CHEWING GUM!**

**NO DRUGS  
NO STARVING  
NO MASSAGE  
NO EXERCISE  
NO STEAMING  
NO LAXATIVES**

**FREE!**

A full 25 day package will be given FREE with a 50 day supply for \$5.95. That's actually a 75 day supply for only \$5.95.

**KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM  
GOOD FOR MEN, TOO**

**"FAT MEN & WOMEN**  
who are normally overweight, will be amazed to discover this safe, pleasant, scientific way to lose ugly fat and get a slimmer, more attractive figure."

# **CHEW IMPROVED FORMULA KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM REDUCE**

**UP TO 5 lbs. A WEEK  
With Dr. PHILLIPS REDUCING PLAN**

It's really FUN to REDUCE with KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM! This amazing, pleasant-tasting chewing gum way to reduce helps you lose ugly fat and take off weight without hardships. It's the scientific, safe way to lose up to 5 lbs. a week. Best of all, with Dr. Phillips KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM REDUCING PLAN, you eat 3 tasty, well-balanced meals every day, and only when you are tempted to take a fattening snack, you chew KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM instead, which contains only 3 calories in each delicious piece. KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM is wonderful because it pleases your sweet-tooth, yet helps to keep you on Dr. Phillips Reducing Plan, which helps you lose ugly fat and reduce weight.

**LOSE 10 - 20 - 30 LBS.**

Men and women everywhere are losing as much weight as they wish since they discovered this amazing, scientific way to reduce. You can take off 10-20-30 lbs. and still eat 3 tasty, well-balanced meals every day. It's really FUN to REDUCE with the Dr. Phillips KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM REDUCING PLAN. Why even think of any other way to reduce when you can lose pounds and inches and have fun doing it. Don't just wish for a slimmer more attractive figure! You can easily reduce to a beautiful, slim, glamorous figure, which will give you poise, win new friends, romance and popularity. Don't deny yourself what you've been wishing for . . . send for your 25 day supply of Improved Formula KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM and Dr. Phillips Reducing Plan this very minute. 100% guaranteed!

You must lose weight . . . up to 5 lbs. a week . . . or YOU DON'T PAY ONE PENNY. Your friends . . . your mirror . . . and your scale must tell you that you have lost ugly fat and excess weight, or your money back. What can you lose but unwanted pounds and inches, so send the coupon right away.

**25 Day  
Supply  
Only**

**\$2.98**

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Just mail us your name and address, and \$2.98 cash, check or money-order. You will receive a 25 day supply of KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM (Improved Formula), and Dr. Phillips Reducing Plan postage prepaid.

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☐ Send me Special 50 day supply and FREE 25 day package for \$5.95. I understand that if I am not delighted with KELPIDINE CHEWING GUM and Dr. Phillips Reducing Plan, I can return in 10 days for full purchase price refund.

**LOSE WEIGHT OR NO CHARGE**

MAIL THIS 10 DAY FREE TRIAL COUPON NOW!